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JUBILANT: Trudy and Bailey Deese are all smiles after being reunited with their dog Hughie. The awesome pooch was found washed up on a nearby beach after being in the water six days and swimming an incredible 148 miles.

DOCKSIDE photo of Bailey and Trudy with Hughie.

Dog lost overboard off Daytona Beach, Fla., swims an incredible 148 MILES HOME!

By JOE BERGER/*Weekly World News*

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — A pitiful pooch named Hughie toppled overboard into a windswept sea and his heartbroken owners feared he was lost forever. But the bedraggled dog staggered ashore six days later, after swimming to safety through 148 miles of stormy, shark-infested waters!

"I don't know how in the world he did it, but I was so happy to see the big guy I couldn't stop crying," said jubilant Trudy Deese, 29.

"We'd had a memorial service for him and everything, and suddenly there he was, safe and sound — snuggling up and licking our faces like he'd never been gone.

"Of course, when we first got him him home he was very skinny and very tired, but after a week he was as good as new. The vet just kept shaking his head and saying Hughie had to be the most amazing dog he'd ever seen."

Heroic Hughie's hair-raising adventure began Feb. 9 when the rambunctious mutt — part German shepherd, part golden retriever — went sailing with Trudy and her businessman hubby Bailey on the family's 62-foot yacht *Audacity*.

"Bailey had a few days off, so we set out on kind of a cruise to nowhere," still-trembling Trudy later told a reporter. "We just wanted to get as far from civilization as possible.

"But the third day out it got nasty real quick. The wind started howling and the sky got black, so we decided to hightail it for home — and that's when we realized Hughie was gone.

"He'd just vanished into thin air, and we were sure the poor guy had been tossed overboard when the boat started rolling and bouncing in the wind. But we looked and looked and circled and looked for hours, and we just couldn't find any trace of him.

"By then, the storm was even worse, so finally we headed in. Bailey calculated that Hughie had gone overboard 148 miles out and he said there was no way he could survive out there."

Trudy and her heartsick hubby were so sure they'd seen the last of their playful pal that they gathered with friends to mourn him at a memorial service in their backyard two days later.

"That next week was the saddest week of our lives," recalled pooch-crazy Bailey, 30. "And then the following Saturday, six days after Hughie went overboard — an elderly man and his wife watching the sunrise on the beach saw him half wash up, half stagger onto the beach.

"They ran over to him and checked out his collar and immediately phoned us. I took the call and woke up Trudy and we drove to the beach still in our bathrobes. We were so excited we couldn't wait to see him. And when we got there, he was so happy to see us he wouldn't quit crying and kissing our faces."

Elated Bailey figures the never-say-die doggie swam 25 miles a day through a storm-tossed ocean infested with sharks, moray eels and other deadly denizens of the deep.

"And after six days of no food, no water and probably no sleep, he dragged himself ashore less than two miles from our home," said tickled Trudy. "Now that's one awesome dog and we are truly blessed to have him back."

NEW STUDY REVEALS... KIDS ARE NATURALLY GREEDY!

BERN, Switzerland — Scientists have just figured out what parents have known for years: Kids are naturally greedy!

"It doesn't mean they're bad," says Dr. Jan Bakker, reporting on his brand-new study of children between the ages of 3 and 6. "Sharing with others simply doesn't come naturally to kids. It takes time to develop sensitivity to others' needs."

A healthy sex life prevents colds, says doc!

MELBOURNE, Australia — A good sex life can keep you super-healthy, says a new study!

Researchers at Darby University say frequent and satisfying sex with your mate can prevent dozens of illnesses from the common cold to cancer.

"Orgasms increase white blood cells," says biophysicist Dr. Ruth McCauley, who conducted the study. "And the white cells increase the power of the immune system."

Success is a matter of staying on your toes and off other people's.

LAST PHOTO OF ALASKA AIR FLIGHT 261?

PHOTO captures the last few minutes of horror as Flight 261 twists, turns and plummets upside down into the ocean.

By TEDDY GERALD
Weekly World News

PORT HUENEME, Calif. — This could be the final photo ever taken of ill-fated Alaska Airlines Flight 261 — a shot captured moments before the MD-83 jetliner plunged into the Pacific Ocean with 88 passengers and crew members on board!

The captain of a charter fishing boat plying the waters near the crash site told reporters he took the dramatic photograph as the plane plummeted nose-first into the ocean 40 miles Northwest of Los Angeles on Jan. 31.

"We were off Anacapa Island when we saw the plane overhead, flopping around like it was totally out of control," recalled the fishherman, who asked that his name not be disclosed. "Then suddenly, it was spinning and nosediving almost straight down into the water — making kind of a 'pip-popping' sound as it went. Someone had brought a camera on board and I just grabbed it and started shooting. We were all in a state of shock, knowing that people were going to die and there was nothing we could do to save them."

The fisherman said the shot he made available to *Weekly World News* was the only one he took that actually captured the plane as it fell. Flight 261 was en route from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, to San Francisco when it went down. Minutes before the crash, the flight crew reported that it was having trouble with the plane's stabilizer — the horizontal wing at the tail of a plane that keeps the aircraft level during flight.

ARE YOU A SERVANT OF SATAN? CHECK YOUR FOOT FOR THE MARK OF THE BEAST!

ROME — You may already have the Mark of the Beast — the dreaded number 666 — somewhere on your body and not even know it, theologians warn!

"Through their actions or inaction, many people have already signified that they are servants of the Devil and so he has placed his evil mark upon them," Father Dominic Lugino, a leading Vatican expert, wrote in a recently published journal article. Experts say the most common places where hidden 666s have been found include the back of the elbow, the bottom of the foot, the nape of the neck (especially among long-haired women) and between the buttocks. The numerals are often very small and difficult to detect without a mirror and a magnifying glass.

According to biblical prophecy found in the Book of Revelation, in the final days all servants of Satan's earthly agent the Anti-Christ will be branded with the 666 insignia — and when Jesus returns to judge mankind, those people will be cast down into the fires of Hell. "It is vital that any individual who detects such a mark upon his or her person repent and seek salvation immediately," Father Lugino says.

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Albert Einstein's brain REALLY DID make yours look like a peanut, says new study

By TEDDY GERALD / *Weekly World News*

TORONTO — Now it's official: Albert Einstein's brain really WAS different from yours and mine!

In the only full-scale study ever conducted on Einstein's preserved brain, scientists here have discovered that his inferior parietal region — the portion of the brain related to mathematical reasoning — was 15 percent wider than normal on both sides of his head.

What's more, they learned the groove that normally extends from the front of the brain to the back did not run all the way in the brain of the man considered by some to be the brightest of all time.

"That kind of shape was not observed in any one of the brains we've studied and is not depicted in any atlas of the human brain," said Dr. Sandra Witelson, a neurosurgeon in charge of the study.

"But that shouldn't lead us to believe that the size or shape of our brain is the only factor determining intelligence.

"We also know that environment has a very important role to play in learning and brain development," the expert said. "But what this is telling us is that environment isn't the only factor."

As part of their study, researchers compared the overall size of Einstein's brain, preserved since his death in 1955, with that of the preserved brains of 35 men known to have had normal intelligence. The experts found that on average, the noted physicist's brain weighed the same as that of the other men.

That discovery led Dr. Witelson to conclude that overall brain size is not the key to intelligence.

Instead, she suggested that the partial absence of the front-to-back groove in Einstein's brain might be the key, because that might have allowed more neurons in this area to establish connections between each other and work together more closely.

EXTENSIVE research has been performed on Einstein's brain which has been perfectly preserved since his 1955 death.

Rapist's 'Minute Man' defense comes up short!

MILAN, Italy — A man who argued in court that he could not be charged with rape because the crime was completed in less than 30 seconds was convicted — in no-time flat!

The jury took just 15 minutes to find Bruno Silvera, 38, guilty in the attack on a housewife, whose name has not been released.

"Rape is rape, whether the act takes an hour, a minute or a matter of seconds," the jury foreman told reporters after rendering the verdict.

For you gardeners, March is the time to plant pansies and sweet Williams — but not too close together.

Stupid voodoo priest commits suicide after casting spells on wrong twin!

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti — Voodoo priest Henri Montclaire tried in vain for three years to do away with businessman Jean-Claude Donat, sticking a doll made in Donat's image with pins, bashing it with a hammer and eventually setting it on fire — all to no avail, a police spokesperson says.

Day after day, Donat showed up at his dry-cleaning store looking the picture of health — making the frustrated witch doctor a neighborhood laughingstock and driving him to quit his profession.

Finally, in January, a bitter and depressed Montclaire committed suicide, according to police.

It was only then that investigators discovered that Donat's identical twin brother, a resident of Brooklyn, had died in a house fire after suffering a long, lingering illness!

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Page 5 Girl!

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Gorgeous, green-eyed Shannon Barnings is a San Jose, Calif., model, musician and college student who loves toiling in front of the cameras but dreams of the day she'll settle down with a loving hubby and a houseful of kids. The beach-crazy lady admits to a fondness for ice cream but keeps her 36-24-35 physique sleek by huffing and puffing up and down the hills near her home. When she isn't jogging or modeling, shapely Shannon enjoys swimming, playing tennis and making sweet music on the flute and cello.

If you'd like to be our Page 5 Girl, send a picture, a phone number where you can be reached and some information about yourself to Page 5, Weekly World News, 600 East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33464-0002.

Experts reveal:

HOW TO AVOID 7 BIG THREATS TO YOUR MARRIAGE!

Don't let your marriage fall prey to the seven major reasons for marital failure! Take the advice of Jane Apelton and psychiatrist Dr. William Apelton, authors of the book *How Not To Split Up*.

By JUNE SAWYER
Weekly World News

There are seven key areas in marriage where trouble can lead to a breakup — boredom, leisure time, sex, fights, children, money and careers.

Here are some tips on how to prevent trouble in your marriage:

MONEY — Sit down together for a talk and have last year's figures in front of you. See how much went for necessities and luxuries and don't come on too strong if too much was extavagantly spent by your partner.

Drop the accusatory tone and use the same approach you use in trying to improve any situation.

LEISURE — Develop knowledge, self growth and creative expression in your leisure time activities. Take an academic course, play a musical instrument, sing in the church choir, build furniture, read books. Helping your own family is like a virtue, it is its own reward.

BOREDOM — Since the dinner table is a potentially ripe site for boredom, you must work together to change the scene. Become interested in food; try new dishes.

The husband can contribute a "specialty" to meals. Also, men should participate to some degree in furnishing and decorating the home

SEX — Declare an evening for sex just as you would for movies or doing taxes. Change the lighting, do anything you want. Sensitivity to your partner, variety, a willingness to listen, and asking for what you like will help keep your marital sexuality alive.

CHILDREN — If you're a mother, by all means have a career if you want to or need the extra money. Establishing skills other than child rearing is a good idea, since you may want something to do when the youngsters go off to school.

Fathers should be included in the children's activities. Take them out for a walk, bike riding, to lunch or to a ball game. Talk to them and get to know them.

FIGHTS — Mature married couples understand that a "good" marital fight is really a "negotiation."

To negotiate means to deal or bargain with another in order to reach an agreement, while a fight is a vigorous striving for victory. Learn to abandon the need to win and you have touched the most essential point of adult marital spats.

CAREERS — There are times in a marriage when you have to down play your career to keep your mate, and caring couples should be prepared to turn down career advances in favor of the marriage. A big job must be weighed against the disruption it might produce in the family.

Minister drops dead — during wedding ceremony!

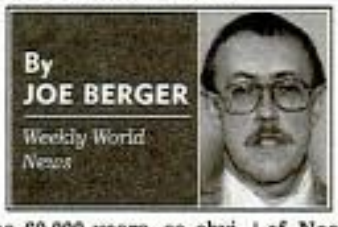
GRAZ, Austria — A young couple watched their wedding turn tragic when the minister dropped dead halfway through their vows!

Doctors say Rev. Kurt Klieman, 63, had a heart attack.

Shocking new find reveals why cavemen became extinct:

NEANDERTHALS WERE PREHISTORIC PANSIES!

VIENNA, Austria — Those club-waving, cave-dwelling Neanderthals who roamed the Earth 50,000 years ago eventually became extinct, not because they couldn't cope with the wild-and-woolly world around them and not because they were killed off by Cro-Magnon man — but because they were no more interested in women then than a San Francisco sissy is today!



That's the fascinating finding of excited scientist Dr. Dieter Koch and his colleagues, who say they've found cave drawings proving that our earliest Homo sapiens were also our earliest homosexuals.

"The Neanderthals survived for some 60,000 years, so obviously in the beginning, there was enough heterosexual interaction to propagate the species," the Austrian anthropologist told reporters.

"But the drawings we've discovered in caves once occupied by Neanderathal man show beyond a doubt that at the time they were etched there, these guys were far more interested in sex with other men than they were in making hay with the ladies.

"The drawings depicted scene after scene of men in all manner of physical embrace with each other — and no scenes at all of men and women enjoying each other's company."

The unsuspecting scientists discovered the ancient etchings last month while searching for the remains of hairy, hunchbacked Neanderthals in a system of caves in southern France.

"The popular image of Neanderthal man has him wielding a club in one hand and dragging a cavewoman around by the hair with the other hand, obviously ready and willing to have his way with her at any moment," Dr. Koch said.

"Now we know he was probably a little more along the lines of a swishy interior decorator or a limp-wristed airline steward than he was a lumbering lady-killer."

So what freaky force of nature might have turned these hairy-chested, mammoth-hunting he-men into flaming cave pansies? Dr. Koch says he can't say for certain — but he believes he has one possible explanation.

"Neanderthal men weren't exactly Robert Redfords themselves," he says.

"But have you ever seen a what those Neanderthal women looked like?"

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Rave reviews for ice cream that tastes like chicken curry!

RODBOROUGH, England — An Indian restaurant here has spiced up its menu with a dish that's more likely to make customers shiver than sweat. And owners of the Bengali Balti restaurant say they are getting rave reviews — on their ice cream chicken curry!

A wealthy former Rodborough resident who moved to Belgium is so crazy about the dish that he even has it shipped to him each week in a refrigerated truck, owner Mohammed Akhtar says.

Your fingernails DO NOT grow after you die!

Old wives' tale is false

Contrary to popular belief, your hair and fingernails do not continue to grow after death, medical experts tell us. Both hair and nails are fed by the bloodstream, so once the heart stops, the supply of nutrients needed for growth is cut off.

Shrinkage of skin at the fingertips and hair follicles after death tends to reveal a tiny bit more of the dear departed's tresses and nails, which is probably what gave rise to the old wives' tale.

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Robbery foiled when crook's pants slip to his knees!

MAYENNE, France — **A bank robbery went awry — when the crook's pants fell down!**

Hapless Andre Poitiers was running toward the door of the bank when his beltless pants slipped down to his knees, causing him to fall flat on his face and drop his gun.

Security guards immediately pounced on the helpless robber.

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A BLOCKBUSTER NEW BOOK: ALIEN LOVE SECRETS!

By MIKE FOSTER/Weekly World News

How you & your mate can enjoy out-of-this-world sex

You and your mate can enjoy out-of-this-world sex by using the super-advanced sexual techniques of space aliens!

That is the startling claim of a former UFO-abductee who says she had unforgettable sex with aliens while aboard a flying saucer in 1997 and is now sharing what she learned in a new book.

"Alien males are not especially well endowed and yet virtually every human female who's had a sexual encounter with them agrees with me that it was absolutely mind-blowing," declares Sandy Morewather, author of the upcoming paperback, *Alien Love Secrets*.

"That is because extraterrestrials are centuries ahead of us when it comes to bedroom techniques."

Here, from the book, are some of the E.T.s' sizzling lovemaking tips:

♥HAVE A NO-HOLDS-BARRED POLICY — Aliens teach that anywhere there are nerve endings — earlobes, fingertips, toes — is a good place to stimulate. The old idea that only limited parts of the body are erogenous zones is a primitive concept couples should leave behind in the 21st century.

♥GO HIGH-TECH — Alien sex-toys employ mind-bendingly advanced technology, but even the simple marital aids available on Earth can start the ball rolling. "Men shouldn't resent the fact that their wives need help in getting aroused," says Morewather, who lives in Oklahoma City.

AUTHOR Sandy Morewather.

♥USE SEXY MEMORIES AS AN APHRODISIAC — When a UFO abductee fails to get aroused, aliens use a special ray to stir the person's sexual memories — but you can achieve the same effect with conscious effort, says the author. "Thinking about a past partner can be exciting, and if the result is better lovemaking with your mate, there's nothing to be ashamed of."

♥STIMULATE THE BELLY BUTTON — Humans haven't discovered this yet, but the navel is actually the body's most sensitive erogenous zone — especially for people with "innies." Using your tongue or finger on this area can drive your partner crazy.

♥HIT THE WATER — The aliens who visit Earth evolved in the sea just like us — and they still believe sex is better in the water. A bathtub is the ideal spot for making whoopee, the expert says.

♥GO TO THE VIDEOTAPE — When it comes to sex, human males have the most powerful reaction to visual stimuli, aliens have learned, so E.T.s use holographic imagery of naked females when they want to excite captive men. You can simulate this effect by renting adult films.

♥CREATE A SEXUAL ENVIRONMENT — Before embarking on romance, aliens create an environment tailored to the individual. Experiment with different scents and recorded sounds to create the perfect lovemaking environment for you and your mate, advises Morewather. "Some women like the sound of a train.

"A man may be turned on by the smell of pumpkins."

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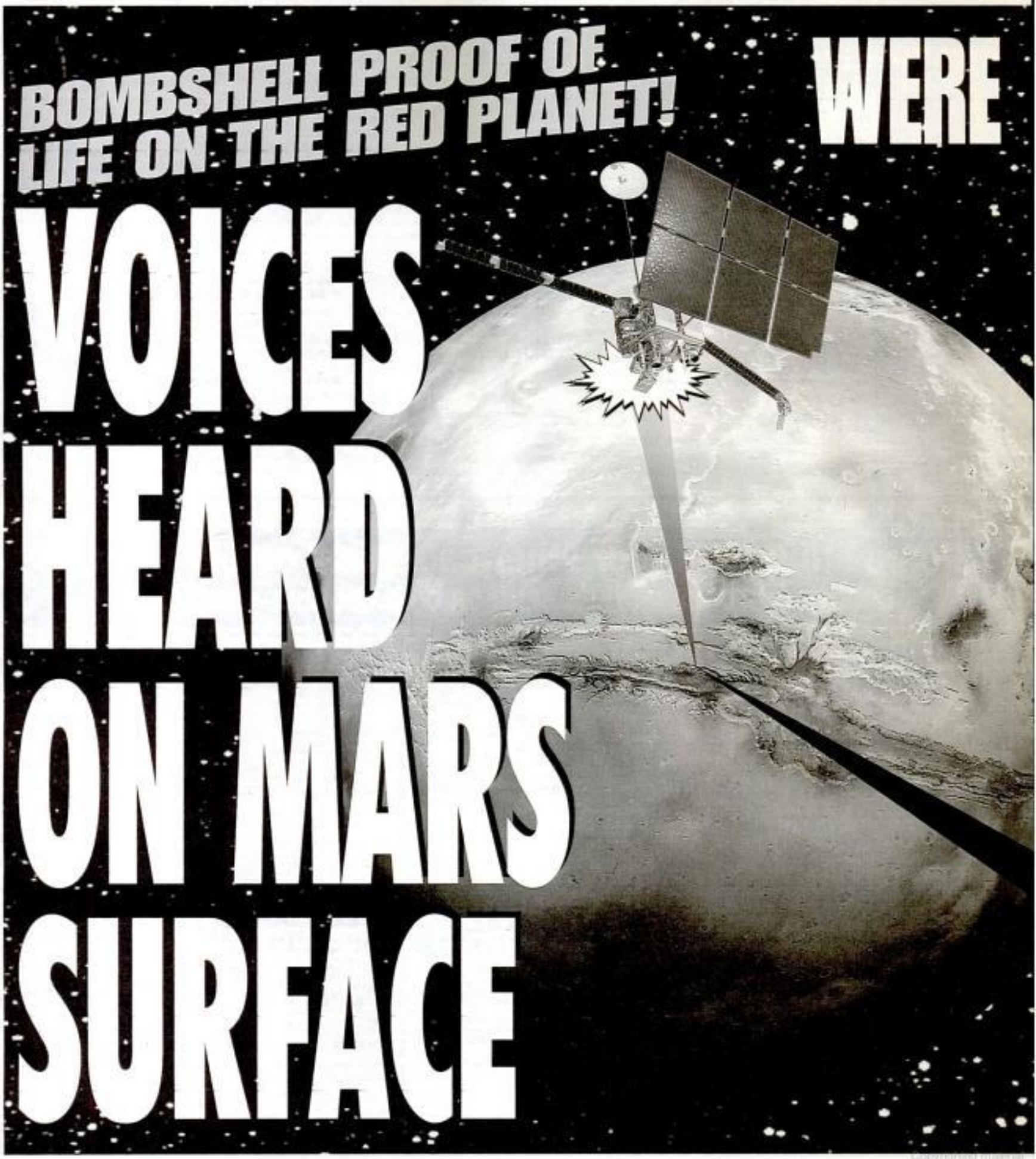

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NASA PROBES BLOWN OUT OF SPACE BY ALIEN BEINGS?

Mars is inhabited by a vast and powerful sub-surface civilization that radioed NASA with voice-warnings to "back off" — before vaporizing at least four American space probes!

Weekly World News
EXCLUSIVE
By NICK MANN

"Voices — human-like voices . . . we heard them, we recorded them and they are, in fact and undeniably, real," one highly-placed NASA source revealed. "We aren't speculating.

"This time we've got it proved on tape. Life on Mars? Yes, there is life on Mars. We don't know what the life looks like, but we do know that it is intelligent.

"We also know it is capable of speech — and we know it doesn't want our probes penetrating Martian air space."

The "Mars situation," as insiders are calling it, is so explosive that President Bill Clinton has personally ordered NASA to conduct what White House sources have described as "a full-scale coverup" to prevent world panic.

The President is deeply worried about the reaction of ordinary men and women who may not be able to come to grips with the fact that far from being created exclusively in God's image on Earth only, human beings, or at least intelligent life, may be as common as the dirt, rocks and debris that are scattered without end through the deepest, darkest reaches of space.

"We have suspected that Mars might have been inhabited ever since our Viking probes actually got to the surface and beamed back our first photographs in the 1970s, but now we know it for a fact — and the situation isn't pretty," the NASA source told astronomer Dr. Paul Minart.

"For starters, these people, these life forms, are not friendly — they clearly and obviously destroyed the last four probes we sent up there to conduct peaceful research and exploration.

"It's not that they didn't warn us. We now know that someone was telling us to 'get the hell out of there' in some seriously blunt radio messages that our spacecraft did, in fact, receive and did, in fact, beam back to Earth for analysis before the spacecraft themselves were destroyed.

"As you might imagine, the tone of the transmissions was clear. But the messages themselves were gibberish until just a few weeks ago, when our analysts were finally able to crack the code and figure out what they were saying.

"All we really know at this point is that intelligent life with radio and weapons technologies at least as sophisticated as our own exists under the surface of Mars. The task before us now is to decide how to approach this civilization and determine the best way to 'make friends' and coexist.

"But I can tell you one thing: Dealing with people — or 'things' — that chop your hand off every time you extend it to shake isn't going to be easy at all."

The NASA source declined to say precisely what the Martian radio warning sounded like, but several insiders independently confirmed that the voice was high-pitched and the message was brief.

According to the insiders, an identical 50-second radio warning was received by the Mars Observer before it vanished in 1993, the Mars Pathfinder before it vanished in 1997, the Mars Orbiter before it vanished last September and the Mars Polar Lander before it vanished in December:

"Stop. Stop. (6 seconds silence). Retreat. Retreat. (6 seconds silence). Retreat. Retreat. (6 seconds silence). Warning ends. Initiate destruction. 1 ... 2 ... 3 ... 4 ... 5 ... 6 ... 7 ... 8 ... 9 ... 10 ... Warning ends."

At that point, said the insiders, NASA lost contact with the probes — never to hear from them again.

Eerily, NASA experts have traced the source of the radio warnings to what the Washington source called a megawatt transmitter located near the mysterious Face on Mars, a mile-long stone monument that was first photographed by Mars Viking Lander in 1976.

Until now, the Face was widely believed to have been the work of a civilization that disappeared 10,000 to 12,000 years ago — when the Martian atmosphere is believed to have decayed and dissipated much as Earth's ozone layer is vanishing today.

ASTRONOMER
Dr. Paul Minart.

With the atmosphere weakened, it has been theorized, temperatures began to fluctuate wildly between extremes of heat and cold, oceans and rivers froze or evaporated and apparently, as NASA now contends, the civilization was driven underground — where, apparently, it thrived and still exists today.

"The thousands of photographs of the surface of Mars that we received from the Viking probes included many that we have never been able to explain," Dr. Minart says his sources told him.

"Among them were photographs of structures that look like pyramids and temples and, of course, the Face on Mars itself.

"One particularly intriguing photo that we used to write off as a mere play of shadow and light on rocks and boulders depicts what appears to be tents or some kind of portable housing on the planet's surface.

"Knowing what we know now, that Mars is inhabited by intelligent beings, changes everything we have ever thought about that photo.

"We're beginning to think it might be a military outpost for the subterranean inhabitants, a place where they can come to the surface and physically monitor any threats to their culture, real or imagined.

"It's a mind-boggling and in some ways disturbing scenario," he added. "Even stranger, it's real."

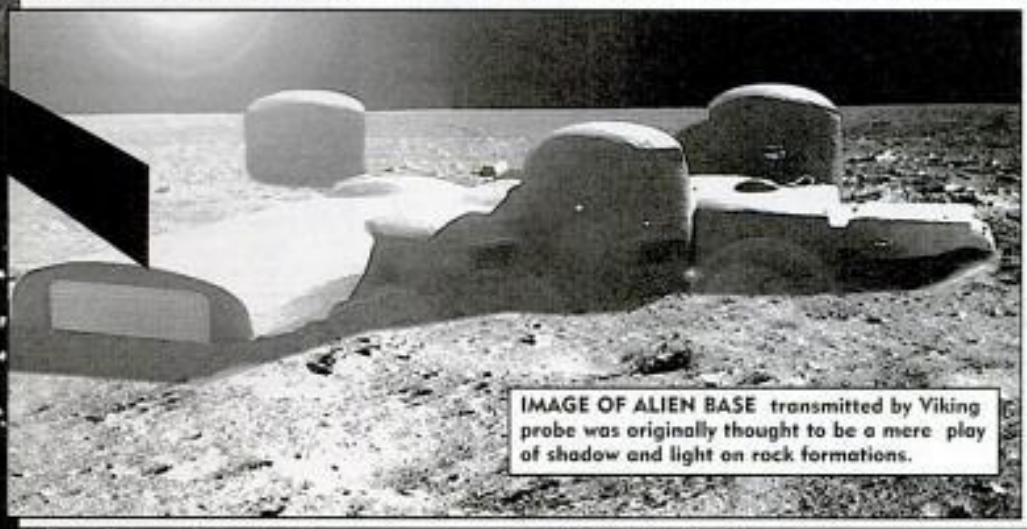

IMAGE OF ALIEN BASE transmitted by Viking probe was originally thought to be a mere play of shadow and light on rock formations.

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COOKING WITH HOT TAP WATER CAN CAUSE BRAIN DAMAGE!

Never use hot water for cooking or drinking — it's dangerous to your health and could even cause brain damage, say experts.

Hot water leaches various dangerous substances, such as lead and cadmium, from the pipes and tank more than cold water does, said Dr. Gerard Schrauzer.

The hotter the water, the more of these substances are loosened from the pipes. Some of these substances can cause kidney failure and even brain damage.

"While it may be faster and cheaper to use hot water directly from the tap, it is more dangerous since you will be ingesting additional toxic substances from the food prepared in hot tap water," said Dr. Schrauzer.

"So, to reduce the health risk, it is better to use cold water for all cooking and drinking purposes."

Also, you should let your cold water run for about three minutes when you first turn it on in the morning to flush out any toxic substances that have accumulated while the water was in the pipes overnight, said Dr. Neil Solomon.

A spokesman for the Environmental Protection Agency, agreed:

"We recommend that you run the cold water for several minutes first thing in the morning before using it for cooking or drinking. And for cooking and drinking purposes, we recommend that you use cold water rather than hot water."

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IRAQI LAWYER KILLED IN FREAK ACCIDENT!

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The independent counsel hired by dictator Saddam Hussein to investigate possible corruption within the Iraqi government has died in a freak accident, police here say.

Veteran prosecutor Omar Rashid, 54, was found dead in the street outside his third-story apartment after he apparently cut his own throat while shaving with a straight razor and then, bleeding and disoriented, tumbled headfirst through the bathroom window to the pavement below.

Rashid had been called "Iraq's Ken Starr."

THE TAROT REVEALS IDENTITY OF TRUE SOULMATE BY NAME!

Tempe, Arizona–Julie Burgess was more depressed than she had ever been before when she called her tarot expert, **Sandra.** "Sandra knew immediately that I had been badly abused as a child and had never had any luck in relationships, it was very clear to her through the cards! I was amazed that she knew this. But what she told me next changed my life forever!" "Julie, your soulmate is within reach right now. He is a Leo and his name is Bob!" A few short weeks later, Julie met Bob, it was true love at first sight! Julie reports that they have already set a date for the wedding!

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TIGHTWAD Stacy O'Dell, right, drowned in human sewage trying to find his dentures in this outhouse.

Weekly World News
EXCLUSIVE
By JOE BERGER

Cheapskate grandpa drowns in privy pit — while trying to retrieve his false teeth!

BRISBANE, Australia — Bigwig businessman Stacy O'Dell dropped his dentures into an outdoor toilet, climbed into the pit below the john to retrieve them — and suffocated in six feet of sewage!

Police investigators say cheapskate Stacy, 63, apparently lost his footing in the smelly excrement, toppled face-first into the disgusting stuff and died before he could scramble out.

"Stacy was the most wonderful man I've ever known, but he was so damn tight with a dollar, it was embarrassing — and this time, it killed him," said heartsick widow Ginny O'Dell, 62.

"I mean, I can't imagine ever putting my dentures back in my mouth anyway after they've been in something like that, no matter how well they have been cleaned."

The fat-cat advertising exec's woes began as he strolled through a park three miles from his home with his 6-year-old granddaughter Daniella one sunny Sunday afternoon last month.

"Stacy and Daniella drove to the lake with a loaf of bread so Daniella could feed the ducks while I fixed dinner," grieving Ginny told a reporter.

"And about an hour later, Stacy came running into the house all red in the face and missing his false teeth.

"He said he'd had to use one of those outdoor johns, and while he was in there, he somehow dropped his teeth down through the hole.

"He said he was going to have to go back and get down in there to fish them out.

"I said, 'Honey, forget it, they're gone. We'll get you some new dentures.' But he said to hell with that, that he'd paid $2,100 for those teeth and he wasn't going to leave them down there for somebody else to find when he could go get them himself.

"So he pulled on those old wading boots of his and went charging out of here, telling me to watch Daniella and that he'd be home in 45 minutes."

But when the frantic gramps climbed into the quagmire in quest of his precious pearly whites, he met his Maker instead.

"A witness told us he saw Mr. O'Dell enter the restroom with those big boots on and he waited patiently for about 20 minutes for him to come out," Police Detective Dennis Delmonte said later.

"Then he called out to him to see if he was okay, and when he got no response, he forced the door and went in — and found the victim facedown in the pit under the toilet with nothing but the back of his shirt showing.

"Apparently, it was deeper than he'd expected and he got down in there and slipped and couldn't get out. The only thing I know for sure is, if I were making a list of the ways I wanted to die, facedown in a pit full of human waste would be right at the bottom of that list — and no pair of false teeth could make me change my mind."

'He said he'd paid $2,100 for those teeth and he wasn't going to leave them down there'

JUST FOR LAUGHS

I went into a steamroom for the first time the other day and that's really weird. Everybody's standing around in sheets, sweating.

It's kind of like a Ku Klux Klan meeting in Harlem or Watts.

Cave drawing proves . . .

SPACE ALIENS GAVE ABORIGINES THE BOOMERANG!

SYDNEY, Australia — Did Australian aborigines get their idea for the boomerang from visiting UFOs?

It's highly possible, say researchers who've uncovered evidence that wedge-shaped spacecraft resembling boomerangs flew over the isolated continent hundreds of years ago.

A team of archaeologists led by Dr. Bryan Heathwhite has reported the discovery of cave drawings known as pictograms that show the mysterious objects circling high over a village.

Experts call the discovery "quite exciting" and compare it to recent findings that suggest the Greeks got the idea for the discus from flying saucers.

St. Patrick vs. a leprechaun!

LIMERICK, Ireland — Legend has it that Saint Patrick battled a leprechaun to the death near this small city 1,600 years ago.

And new evidence suggests there might really be something to the old tale about Ireland's patron saint.

Archaeologists have uncovered a tiny cave filled with undersize furniture and other artifacts dating back to the 5th century A.D. — including several pots of gold!

WANT TO LOSE WEIGHT?

Banging your head against a wall uses 150 calories an hour.

HERE'S WHY FLIPPER ALWAYS SMILES!

Humans and dolphins are the only species that have sex for pleasure.

Want to keep blood-sucking mosquitoes away?

Experts say one surefire way of keeping mosquitoes away is to down a heaping helping of garlic before you venture into the great outdoors.

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Do you have a question about your celebrities that you have been dying to ask? Drop a line to Christie . . . Hollywood's Answer Girl and she'll dig up the inside scoop.
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Q It's nice to see that model Anna Nicole Smith has dropped 100 pounds of ugly fat and got her old sexy figure back, after swelling up like a hippopotamus for a while. Why did she gain all that weight in the first place?

— Randy E., New York, N.Y.

DROWNED her sorrows in food: Anna Nicole Smith.

A Anna says she began eating like a hog out of grief when her 89-year-old multimillionaire husband dropped dead. Contrary to popular belief, the former *Playboy* Playmate insists she really was in love with wizened, cadaverous-looking codger **J. Howard Marshall** and wasn't just a gold-digger out for the oil tycoon's $550 million fortune. "I was depressed that my husband had passed on and I picked up eating," said the busty blonde widow.

"I was just eating everything that wasn't trying to eat me — eating and eating and eating until 100 pounds later I snapped out of it."

★ ★ ★

Q As a man who fled Cuba a decade ago to escape Communism, I was delighted to hear that a movie is finally being made about Fidel Castro. Will it be a powerful and damning expose of this ruthless tyrant?

—Hector P., Miami, Fla.

ARE you talking to me, senor? Robert DeNiro.

A The film will be a comedy! **Robert DeNiro** is expected to star as the cigar-chomping strongman, whose real-life obsession with baseball will be the source of the laughs. In the flick, Castro — who was a pitcher in his youth — yearns to see the World Series.

So he dons a disguise, sneaks into the U.S. and makes his way to Yankee Stadium to watch his favorite team play!

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Q Will you please tell my husband to leave my favorite actress Melanie Griffith alone! He keeps saying that she sounds "sort of stupid" just because she has that breathy, little-girl voice. But isn't it true that she got straight A's in college?

— Rachel T., Dayton, Ohio

IF I only had a brain: Melanie Griffith.

A Book-learning isn't Melanie's strong suit. The *Crazy in Alabama* star never went to college and it sometimes shows. "I wish that I had, you know, gone to college and gotten a degree," Melanie said recently. "I would have tried to have gotten a degree in philosophy. If there is such a thing. Is there?"

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Q I heard a shocking rumor that actress and model Lauren Hutton, best known for her trademark gap tooth and for still looking beautiful at 55, is secretly part black. Please confirm or deny this.

— Edith G., Jonesville, Ga.

A Ageless Lauren, whose film credits include *American Gigolo* and *Zorro, the Gay Blade*, makes no secret of her African-American roots.

"I have some Indian blood. I claim a little African too," she revealed in a recent interview. The down-to-earth beauty grew up far from the glamorous catwalks of Paris, near a Florida swamp. "Our backyard had five types of snakes that could kill you," Lauren says.

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Q I thought that the comedy *Superstar*, featuring Molly Shannon as a nerdy Catholic schoolgirl, was one of the funniest movies I've ever seen. Do you know where the *Saturday Night Live* star gets her terrific sense of humor? Were all of her family members funny growing up?

— Heidi T., Cooper City, Fla.

A Molly does owe her sense of humor to her family, but not the way you might imagine. When she was 4 years old, her mom and cousin were killed in a horrific car wreck and as she went with her injured father and the rest of the clan to the hospital, the plucky youngster tried to make the best of a bad situation.

"I spent my time there trying to make the other kids laugh, figuring that they had it worse than me," she told *People* magazine. Molly's been getting big yuks ever since!

★ ★ ★

Q Nicolas Cage was great as a paramedic who's coming apart at the seams in the latest Martin Scorsese movie *Bringing Out The Dead*. How did he prepare for the role?

— Courtney R., Pasadena, Calif.

A The dedicated actor actually accompanied an EMS unit in East L.A. — a neighborhood so tough the paramedics have to wear bulletproof vests to avoid being killed in the crossfire.

"There's a drive-by shooting and I'm there helping a kid with a bullet shot through his leg," Nick told *Entertainment Weekly*.

But the biggest concern of the star, who played an angel in a recent flick, is that injured people would recognize his face and panic.

He said, "I was concerned they'd think, 'Oh my God, the character from *City of Angels* is here, coming to take me away!'"

★QUIZ★ MOVIE BRAIN TEASER ★QUIZ★

Can you identify the movie this scene is from? The first correct entry we receive wins TWO Weekly World News T-Shirts!

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By KEVIN CREED / *Weekly World News*

OH MY GOD!

REAL-LIFE STEVEN KING HORROR STORY!

NEWS ARTIST Dick Kulpa's conception shows decapitated head smoking its final cigarette.

Severed head takes two puffs of cigarette — after being decapitated in a car wreck!

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — In one of the most gruesome and bizarre cases in medical history, the severed head of a car-crash victim lived for two minutes after being detached from its body — and even took two puffs of a cigarette before giving up the ghost!

The bizarre incident took place after the Alfa Romeo sports car carrying Ronald Ardeson and a friend ran a red light, careened through a busy downtown intersection and skidded under a tractor-trailer, decapitating Ardeson.

The head of the 34-year-old software company employee was thrown from the car and landed in the gutter as at least 14 stunned passersby watched in horror.

And incredibly, the mouth, eyes and facial muscles were still moving.

"I thought I was seeing things," said eyewitness James Wilderly. "The guy's eyes were wide open and his face was a mask of terror. People were throwing up, people were screaming. It was a nightmare.

EYEWITNESS James Wilderly.

"I noticed that his mouth was moving and I leaned down close to hear what he had to say. It was hard to understand because there was no air moving through his windpipe so he was just mouthing the words. But I could make out that he was saying, 'Something's wrong! My God, what's wrong with me?' He said it over and over.

"I asked him if there was anything I could do for him and that stopped him. He paused and I could see him thinking. His eyes moved up to the left. I could tell he was coming to accept that it was really over.

"I don't know if it was because he wasn't in his right mind or just that he wanted something to calm him. But he asked me for a cigarette. I lit one for him and put it in his mouth. He took a couple puffs — or sort-of puffs — on it. They were pretty weak because without lungs he couldn't really draw hard enough to get much smoke in his mouth. But he took some in. It came out of his neck.

"Pretty hard to watch. He was alive for about two minutes. Then, he stopped puffing and he was really dead."

Physicians say that, bizarre as it sounds, Wilderly's account is not all that uncommon. "When a person's head is cut off, there is still oxygenated blood in the brain," said neurologist Dr. Peter Vill, an internationally recognized expert on the human brain.

"Until that oxygen is used up, the brain remains alive and capable of thinking and of manipulating the nerves in the face.

"There are hundreds of accounts from people who watched beheadings during the French Revolution. In those accounts, witnesses say the lips of victims would often move and the eyes would roll and blink.

"Admittedly, two minutes is an exceptionally long time, but it's certainly possible that this man could have lived that long, spoken and taken puffs on a cigarette," said Dr. Vill.

Here's what Jesus REALLY said, folks!

Contrary to popular belief, Jesus never said that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of God!

Bible scholars have taken another look at the original Greek in which the New Testament was written. And they've determined that when the passage was first translated into Latin in the early days of the church, the Greek word "kamilos" meaning rope was mistaken for "kamelos" meaning camel.

Jesus was actually referring to the difficulty of threading a rope through the eye of a needle. But the more colorful analogy — bizarre as it is — can now be found in almost every printed Bible in the world!

Giggling doc booed off stage

PARIS — The keynote speaker at an international urologists convention was booed off stage — when he kept giggling and cracking up every time he referred to the male private parts!

Witnesses said Dr. Luis Martino peppered his hour-long speech with dozens of "sophomoric jokes and double entendres" and "giggled like a schoolgirl" when he showed medical drawings and photographs.

No explanation was give for his unprofessional behavior.

Couch-Potato Alert:

YOUR TV MAY BE WATCHING YOU!

By MIKE FOSTER / *Weekly World News*

Industry insiders admit tens of thousands of sets were bugged in 1980s and 1990s

LOS ANGELES — While you're watching television in the comfort of your living room, your TV may also be watching you! Tens of thousands of sets manufactured in the '80s and '90s were built with a secret two-way feature, an industry whistle-blower reveals.

"These TV sets have a camera lens right behind the screen," said the television industry insider, who spoke only after being guaranteed anonymity. "As you lounge around chuckling at your favorite sitcom, your reactions are being captured and beamed to executives in Hollywood."

PRIVACY ADVOCATE: Fred Gregarien.

Although the insider did not name specific brands, he said that you are most likely to be the unwitting owner of a two-way TV if your set was made in Japan.

"The manufacturers were trying to respond to the needs of television programmers," the insider explained. "For years, TV executives had been dissatisfied with Nielsen ratings, which are based on a handful of sets in homes nationwide wired to tell researchers what people are watching.

"That method is flawed because all those families know they have Nielsen boxes, which can influence their viewing decisions. Hollywood wanted a candid look inside viewers' homes."

The amount of useful information writers and producers get from the two-way TV sets is "impossible to overstate," the insider said. "They can tell what kind of jokes get belly laughs and which get frowns, which characters the viewers like and which they're saying 'should drop dead.' "

Letting TV owners know they have one of the sets would, of course, defeat the whole purpose.

Privacy advocates who've learned about the two-way sets are hopping mad.

"This is an outrageous invasion of privacy," said Fred Gregarien, an L.A. privacy advocate. "If you've got a TV in your bedroom, these beady-eyed Hollywood spies can get an eyeful of you padding around in your undies. And God forbid you're snuggling in bed with your mate."

While officially, industry executives refuse to confirm that any two-way sets are being used to gather information, one top honcho adamantly defended the practice off the record.

"No one is using this technology to spy on middle-aged housewives in Iowa," the exec insisted. "Its sole purpose is to improve the quality of entertainment — and it already has, in spades.

"Think back to the corny old shows you used to have on TV like *Gilligan's Island* and compare it to sophisticated modern fare such as *Frasier* and *ER*.

"There's no comparison — and we have two-way TV to thank for that."

Recovering alcoholics should avoid coffee & candy!

Boozers who are struggling to stay off the sauce should watch their diet — and be sure to skip the coffee and candy!

Experts say that unless hard-core drinkers give up coffee, cocoa, refined sugar and white flour, they're likely to retain their craving for liquor.

A single cup of coffee or just one candy bar could knock out the bio-chemical buffer zone provided by a good diet — and could start the alcoholic down the road to ruin, they say.

Plants are as sensitive as people!

THE Venus flytrap can even count.

GLASGOW, Scotland — Plants are as smart as your average house pet — and as sensitive as humans!

That's the mind-boggling conclusion of botanist Malcolm Wilkins, who says plants can smell, taste, see colors, ask for water and count.

"When it comes down to it, there isn't much that animals can do that plants cannot, except walk around," Wilkins said. "Some plants, like single-cell algae, can even swim."

Research has shown that some trees actually ask for water. Columns within their trunks emit a cracking sound when they get thirsty.

The Venus flytrap has a sense of taste and can actually count. "If you touch one of its sensory hairs once, it won't react," Wilkins said. "Touch it twice and it snaps shut."

Shy people are at greater risk of high blood pressure!

ADELAIDE, Australia — Shy folks are much likelier than the rest of us to suffer from high blood pressure — and the ailment could kill them, a shocking new study reveals!

After studying more than 6,200 volunteers, researchers here concluded that because timid people are more likely to focus their attention on their own shortcomings and worry about what others think of them, they are more subject to deadly hypertension.

SEX SHOCKER!

NEW YORK CITY — Researchers asked 5,000 married couples across America which activity they considered the most important in the morning, making love or making the bed. Eight out of 10 chose making the bed!

Feuding mom makes her point — with a knife!

BRISBANE, Australia — Hotheaded grandma Sarah Wright, 72, was arguing with her 50-year-old daughter Janie over who had been the better mom — when she suddenly grabbed a knife and stabbed her daughter to death!

JUST FOR LAUGHS

What did Noah do while spending time on the ark?
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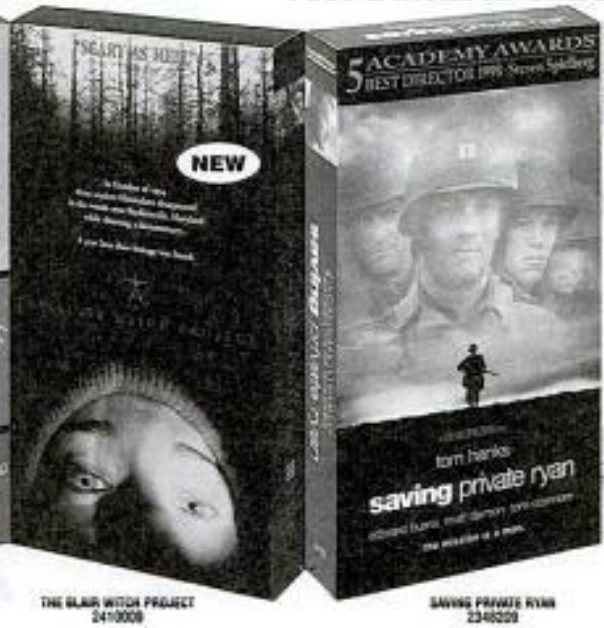

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By ANN VICTORIA / *Weekly World News*

You will never — ever — suffer from another cold or flu again as long as you live if you take this state-of-the-art advice from top health expert Leslie Kenton:

In her brand-new book *Kick Colds* Kenton reveals there's only one reason a person falls victim to these annoying — and sometimes deadly — viruses: A weak immune system.

Here are six of Kenton's can't-fail, health-building tips that will make your immune system tough enough to defeat any cold or flu virus that happens to come along:

NEVER CATCH A COLD AGAIN!

TAKE GARLIC

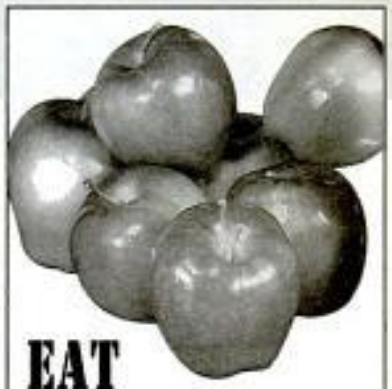
For 5,000 years, wise people have used garlic to kill bacteria, viruses and fungi. Hundreds of studies confirm garlic's cold-fighting power. You can eat it in your food or take it in pill form. At the first sign of cold or flu symptoms, tuck an unpeeled clove between your cheek and bottom teeth.

DRINK WATER

Colds and flus get an edge by dehydrating the body. Boost your immune system and promote your body's waste-disposal efforts by drinking two eight-ounce glasses when you wake up, two or three glasses between breakfast and lunch and another three glasses between lunch and dinner.

Of course, if you have kidney disease, ask your doctor before adopting this practice.

EAT RAW FRUITS & VEGETABLES



These foods have cleansing and healing properties that are nothing short of miraculous. Most people don't get enough fruits, vegetables, seeds, grains and nuts. They're the richest natural sources of vitamins, minerals and enzymes on the planet. Kenton recommends having fruit with breakfast and throughout the day. Have a salad with lunch and an even larger salad with dinner.

To put the least amount of stress on your system, eat only one kind of fruit at a time.

TAKE HEALING HERBS

Herbs like echinacea and herbal teas such as ginger, verbena, sage, thyme and basil fight infections as fiercely as mongooses fight cobras. The herb teas also improve circulation.

KEEP WARM

If you do get a tiny hint of cold or flu, raising your body temperature is one of the most important ways your immune system fights it. Help your body get rid of toxins by keeping out of drafts and taking warm foot baths.

GET PLENTY OF EXERCISE & REST

Your body needs both. Exercise promotes good circulation, improves blood-flow and helps your lungs do their important waste-elimination work. Rest allows the body to repair itself. The best way to live is to balance these two important immune-system boosters.

U.S. Navy considered aircraft carriers made out of ice!

One of the most bizarre war machines ever conceived was an aircraft carrier made of solid ice, recently declassified U.S. Defense Department documents show.

Designed by English inventor Geoffrey Pyke during World War II, the ice ships were 300 feet wide and 2,000 feet long. Basically giant rectangular manmade icebergs, the ships were flat and hollow, so that planes could land on the surface while the crews were stationed comfortably inside.

The Allies conducted lengthy top-secret research on the ice ships, building several prototypes which were floated on Canadian lakes in highly successful tests. Unfortunately, it turned out the ice ships actually cost more to build than conventional aircraft carriers.

JUST FOR LAUGHS

You can always tell the guest of honor at a retirement dinner.
He's the only one who yawns after the boss's favorite joke.

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LET'S MAKE DR. KEVORKIAN THE SURGEON GENERAL

SUICIDE DOC Jack Kevorkian is America's best bet at getting the health care mess straightened out!

ARTIST'S conception of President Hillary during a White House workout.

I'm madder than Hillary Clinton with a busted *Buns of Steel* get-fit video about the state of the good old U. S. of A. this fall, folks.

So I'm gonna calm down, light up a Lucky Strike non-filter, pour me a big glass of Old Crow and count to 10.

1. I'm so fed up with this health care crap I could vomit. Who the hell said everybody had a right to medical care anyway? Those whining liberals are blubbering about 29 million Americans who don't see a doc because they can't pay.

Hey, they're the lucky ones. They never get pounded for a hundred-buck office visit like the rest of us.

Let's make that suicide doc Kevorkian the dad-blamed Surgeon General and let him get rid of the dead wood who don't have health insurance!

2. I say let's bomb Iraq back to the Stone Age — which would take only one bomb, by the way — and make the whole damn country a zoo for endangered man-eating animals. There oughta be enough stray Iraqis around to keep the lions and tigers chubby for years.

...and let him get rid of the dead wood who don't have health insurance!

3. My stupid wife Thelma Jean just came in and asked why you never see women pallbearers at funerals. I'm married 40 years and I still see Dumbo the Elephant every time I look at her.

"The answer to your question, Einstein," I said, "is because girls are too puny to pick up the gol-durned casket. If we had gal pallbearers, corpses would be dumped out of coffins like hot dogs falling out of buns."

4. Why has the value of my home dropped by 45 percent since they built that new elementary school down the street? Because they've got more criminals in the damn school than they do in San Quentin, that's why.

5. I still say they oughta put an exterminator's tent over New York City and pump it full of roach spray. 'Nuff said.

6. I'm damn sick and tired of all the females in the *Weekly World News* office giving me hell about my big deer hunt in Kentucky last fall. They're whining about me putting a bullet between Bambi's eyes — while they're sitting there stuffing their fat faces with Porky Pig, Elsie the Cow, Daffy Duck, Foghorn Leghorn the Chicken and any other gol-durned thing that creeps, crawls, runs, rolls or flies.

7. I didn't care a lick about the World Series this year or any of the boring baseball playoffs. Major League baseball died when Mickey Mantle hung up his Louisville slugger. I'm surprised it's lasted this long.

8. I watched one of those daytime soap operas the other day and it didn't take me long to see why 88 percent of American women are brain dead.

9. The only thing I've been happy about lately is the INSURED BY SMITH & WESSON bumper sticker my grandson put on his tricycle the other day. I gave him a little .22 pistol for his birthday and it looks like he's gonna be a chip off the old block.

10. I'm still pig-biting mad about voting for that fruitcake Ross Perot back in '92.

If everyone who voted for the creep with a crew cut had voted for President Bush, guess what? President Clinton and her husband Bill never would have made it to Washington.

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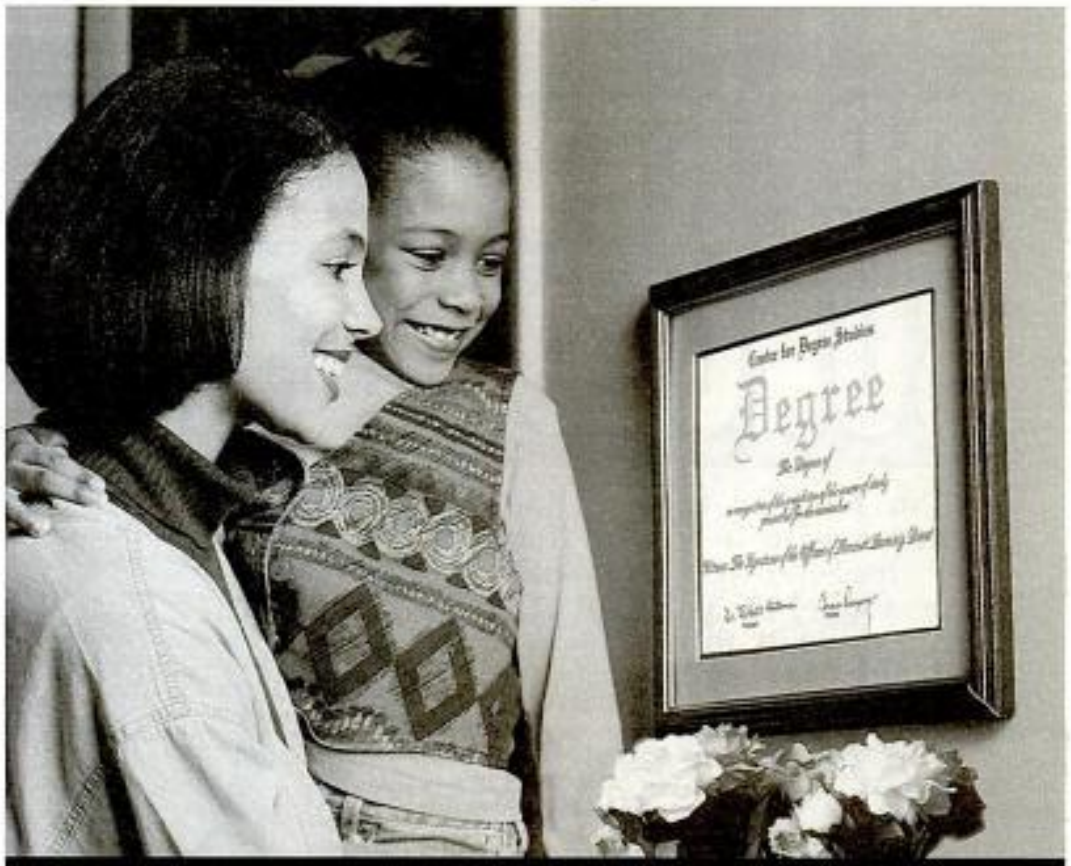

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NERD ALERT!

HOW TO AVOID HAVING YOUR SON GROW UP TO BE A DORK!

By JOHNNY SWEET / *Weekly World News*

You can avoid the shock and heartbreak of finding out too late that your son is growing up to be a nerd with tips from controversial child psychologist Dr. Nicholas Grenlin, whose ground-breaking "Nerd Alert" seminars have outraged the psychiatric community but are winning heartfelt "thank you's" from thousands of grateful parents nationwide.

According to the expert, a nerd is a boy or a man who is shy, fearful, fantasy prone, has a low threshold for pain and is both mentally and physically weak.

PSYCHOLOGIST Dr. Nicolas Grenlin.

A nerd, too, tends to be clumsy and uncoordinated, not only physically — but also in a fashion sense, possessing what a growing number of experts now consider to be "a genetic disdain" for clean and/or matching clothes.

"The 'symptoms' are quite clear from earliest childhood," Dr. Grenlin said in an exclusive interview from his office in New York City.

"Give me one day with a child as young as two or three and I'll not only tell you whether you have a budding nerd, a 'pre-nerd' as some call it, I'll tell you how to alter his development and turn him into a 'normal' child.

"This isn't textbook psychology. This is Real World 101. And the real world is a battleground where the strong survive and the weak are squashed."

Here is what Dr. Grenlin calls the Top 10 Warning Signs that indicate a "pre-nerd" is at risk of growing up to become a "full-blown nerd."

The greater the number of signs that apply to your child, the greater his risk — and the more pressing your responsibility to do something about it.

"Professional help is strongly advised," Dr. Grenlin said.

TOP 10 SIGNS OF IMPENDING NERD-DOM

The expert warns that a child of any age is at risk of becoming a nerd if he:

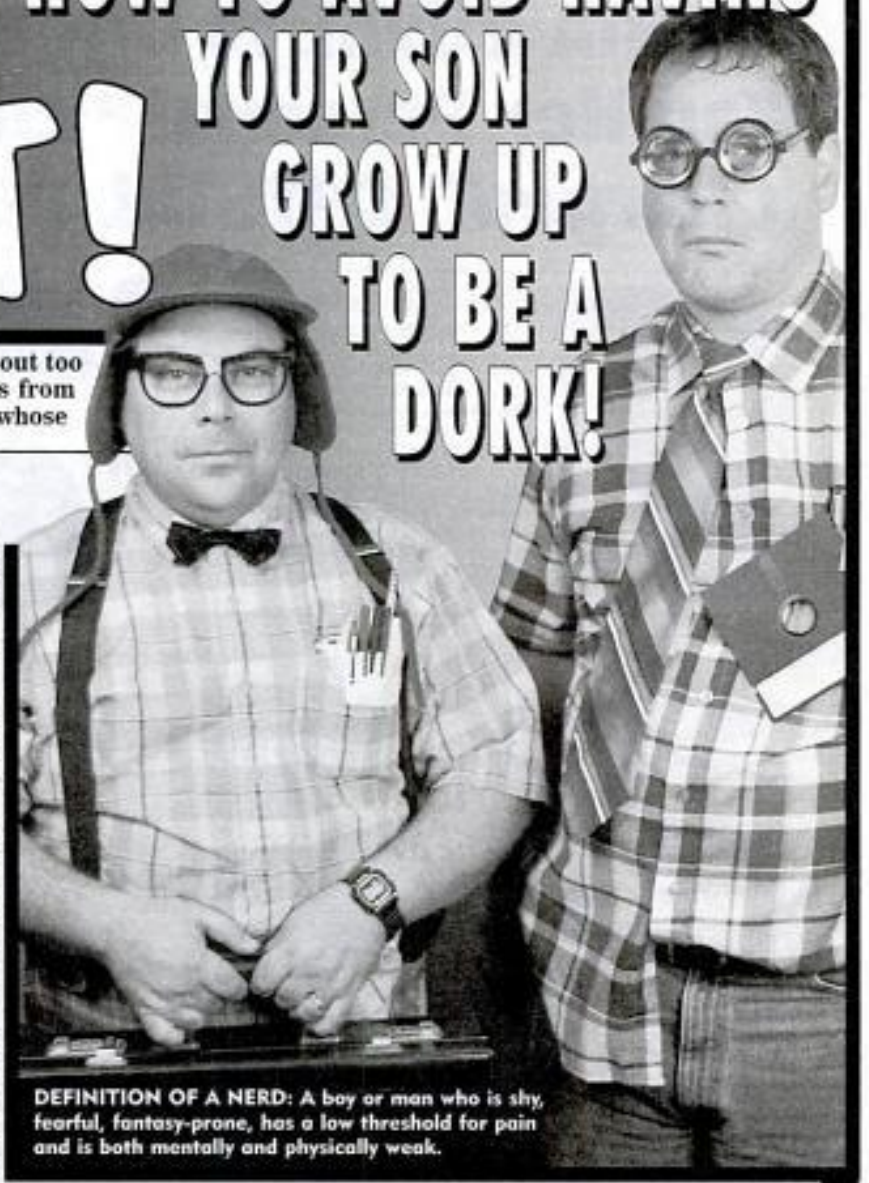
1 Exhibits a low threshold for pain. Nerds find it difficult to endure pain — even pain that just barely exists, said Dr. Grenlin. If you notice your son saying "ouch" or shedding tears more often than once or twice a week, regardless of the activities he engages in, chances are good you've got a budding nerd on your hands.

2 Seeks out "oddball pets" for companionship. Regular boys like dogs — the bigger and rougher the better, says Grenlin. If your son likes birds, fish, mice — and to a lesser extent, cats — that ought to register on your "radar" as a potential warning sign.

3 Has no real friends aside from the "imaginary pals" that you hear him talking to when "they" are alone in the bathroom.

4 Is far more interested than the average child in what Dr. Grenlin calls "odd and precious things."

Examples, says the psychologist, are menageries of farm-animal miniatures or collections of "non-action" figures such as famous personalities from the Bible or goody-goody cartoon characters such as Pokemon or Tele-Tubbies.



DEFINITION OF A NERD: A boy or man who is shy, fearful, fantasy-prone, has a low threshold for pain and is both mentally and physically weak.

5 Has a genetic background that includes nerds on either side of the family.

6 Always tries to "smooth things over" rather than fight for a cause. Children who avoid conflict are at extreme risk of becoming nerds, Dr. Grenlin said.

7 Shies away from loud noises. Nerds and pre-nerds will turn and cover their ears or even cry and run when they hear loud, sharp noises.

This warning sign is as valid for 3-year-olds as it is for 12-year-olds, Dr. Grenlin said.

8 Uses lots of Band-Aids or adhesive strips to cover minor cuts and scrapes and complains of queasiness at the first sight of blood.

9 Is self-absorbed, so much so that he doesn't realize normal people are laughing at his goofy ways.

10 Shows an early interest in music and a desire to play any musical instrument other than masculine, aggressive instruments such as electric guitar and drums.

MEDICAL WARNING!

PICKLE-PUSHERS' THUMB IS VERY PAINFUL, SAY DOCS!

VIENNA, Austria — Doctors near an ultramodern pickle plant here have noted a painful ailment common to many employees — an ailment they call pickle-pushers' thumb!

The last pickle in each jar must be pushed down by hand, and doctors say the repetitive pressure can bring great misery to those who just don't have the thumb for the job. Doctors say they have treated hundreds of pickle plant employees for this ailment over the years.

Yugoslav strongman orders boy shot for hitting him with snowball!

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Yugoslav strongman Slobodan Milosevic ordered an 11-year-old boy executed on the spot — after the playful youngster hit him with a snowball!

And the February 15 outrage wasn't the first time that brutal Sloby overreacted to getting beaned by a snowball while traveling in an open car through the streets of Belgrade.

He's had two other boys shot for doing the same thing, once in 1997 and again in 1999.

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DAREDEVIL WATERSKIS FOR 200 MILES — BEHIND A CARGO SHIP!

By KEVIN CREED
Weekly World News

AUSTRALIAN DAREDEVIL Thor Redmond calls himself "The Thunder From Down Under."

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Daredevil Thor Redmond has won a place in the world record books, for waterskiing almost 200 miles, behind a cargo ship!

The Australian wildman, who calls himself "The Thunder from Down Under," managed the mind-blowing feat by hooking his tow rope to the stern of the freighter *Gloria Madigan* — of the McElvoy Transport Line — as the ship lay in Sydney Harbor, just before it left for Concepcion, Chile, with a scheduled stop here in Auckland.

Just after sunset, the try-anything super-athlete hooked his tow rope to the ship and waited with his equipment in a small rubber dingy until the ship's 7 p.m. departure.

Under cover of darkness, as the ship reached cruising speed, Redmond disgarded the raft and skied behind the vessel until the sun began to rise — more than nine and a half hours later.

That's when a crewman on the *Gloria Madigan* noticed Thor and notified the ship's captain. Redmond was taken on board and turned over to authorities here when the ship docked. McElvoy officials refuse to disclose the exact longitude and latitude at which Redmond was stopped. But spokesmen for the company say the ship was traveling at an average speed of 17.4 knots — just over 20 miles per hour. That would put the distance covered at right around 190 miles.

"I loved it, man," Thor told reporters. "I couldn't see, but I didn't have to. I could feel the drift of the ship's wake under me. When you've been waterskiing long enough, you get a sense of the water on the soles of your feet. You know where it's going to go, when it will swell and when it will ebb. I was bouncing over those waves like a cowboy on a buckboard. It was great."

Even though Redmond did not actually sneak aboard the ship, New Zealand authorities have charged him as a stowaway under international law.

But most legal experts believe that McElvoy officials will want to avoid further embarrassing publicity and that the charges will be dropped.

Redmond first made news in 1997 when he rode a unicycle through the outback and across the entire continent of Australia.

Last year, the daring newsmaker bungee-jumped off the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS PHOTOS BY ALYMAR KEAN

AFTER the *Gloria Madigan* docked in New Zealand, Redmond was escorted off the ship and taken into custody by authorities. He is being charged as a stowaway under international law.

One out of 100 Americans carries fake identification!

WASHINGTON — In the tense thriller *The Talented Mr. Ripley*, a social-climber kills a wealthy Ivy Leaguer, then assumes his identity. And government experts warn that impersonators like that are walking around in real life all the time!

At least one out of every 100 people you encounter in an average day is not who he or she claims to be, according to Justice Department figures.

Sex nut strips women — using a vacuum cleaner!

NEW YORK CITY — Big Apple cops are looking for a sex weirdo who approaches young women in miniskirts — and strips them using a handheld vacuum cleaner!

Since December, 11 women have fallen prey to the nut, who presses the mouth of the battery-powered vacuum against victims on the street and uses it to suck off their skirts.

BUSY SIGNAL CONDEMNS MAN TO DEATH!

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How can I cope with Dad who thinks he's the Anti-Christ?

AMY in Louisiana.

Dear Dotti: I'm a 17-year-old honor student and Christian girl who happens to have been challenged by a nightmarish home life.

My mother died when I was a baby and I was raised by my dad. He is still a child of the '60s and must have burned up his brains with drugs and wine because he's never been much more than "half right." But I've turned out pretty good if I do say so myself, mainly because I've always done the opposite of everything my dad told me to do. But, lately he's on this jag of telling everybody he's the Anti-Christ mentioned in the Bible. And he's always giving speeches about how he doesn't want to be the Anti-Christ, he wants to be good and serve the Lord — but for some reason he must fulfill an "evil destiny leading the forces of darkness" against God and Jesus in the Apocalypse. It gets old, Dotti. Any ideas on how I can cope? — Amy in Louisiana

Dear Amy: How do you know he ISN'T the Anti-Christ — he certainly seems stupid enough! Seriously, as you already know, I alerted the police and they called in a shrink who is in the process of evaluating your old man right now. I'm sure some readers will call me a buttinski, but the way I see it, if Daddy-O isn't the Anti-Christ, he's crazy as a bedbug — and that means both of you are at risk. By the way, the trust fund I set up for you completely with money from my own pocket ($10,000) should come in handy while you stay with your welfare aunt. Don't waste it!

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Frugal in Kansas: I don't care if it DID come with batteries: That's one item you should never, EVER buy at a thrift shop!

Dear Baby Cakes in Idaho: Look at it this way: If you get breast cancer and have a mastectomy, no one will notice!

Dear Looking-Good-Granny in Florida: You might look good in a bowl of prunes or in a litter of wrinkled pups, but that's about it. Now GIT!

Dear Greek God in New York City: Hose the olive oil out of your hair and we'll talk!

Dear Sneaky in Maine: I see nothing wrong with peeking at your neighbor's mail as long as you don't get caught. Would the authorities disagree with me? Probably. But, hey! — what do THEY know?

Dear Farm Hand in Texas: Betty Boop, yes. Elsie the cow, no!

Dear Strict Vegetarian in Columbia: I hate to burst your bubble, creep-o-zoid, but "human flesh" IS meat!

Dear Hates Dotti in New Hampshire: An HIV-tainted letter? Thank goodness I make interns open my mail!

Is the world supposed to end in 2000 or 2001?

Dear Dotti: For an entire year I've been terrified that the world is going to end in the year 2000, the beginning of the New Millennium. But now I hear the year 2000 is NOT the beginning of the New Millennium — the year 2001 is. I'm so confused that I don't know whether to laugh or cry. At this point, it seems like the world could end anytime between now and December 2001 — which is two years away. I don't know if I can worry that long without having a heart attack or a stroke. Can you tell me what to do? — Nicole in Alabama

NICOLE in Alabama.

Dear Nicole: The first thing you can do is stop looking to me for advice. After all, I got right with God a long time ago and I don't need lost souls like you tarnishing my image in these terrible End Times we live in!

Please explain how fat people make love?

Dear Dotti: All the gals in my bridge club have been wondering about something and maybe you can give us some insight. We've been wondering how really fat fatties, like those in the 300- to 500-pound range, make love. If you look at a big fat woman and a big fat man standing face to face you'll see the kind of problem they face. How in the world do they "fit" together — and is there any bed that could hold them? For the life of me I can't figure it out and nobody else in the bridge club can, either — Wondering in Pennsylvania

Dear Wondering: What do you think this is — The Nature Channel? For Pete's sake, pinhead, if you want to find out how fat people make love, pop off that corset of yours and try it sometime!

Tell everybody to stop saying rasslin' is fake!

Dear Dotti: I'm a big fan of the rasslin' show *Smack Down* but when I try to talk about it at school, all the teachers and kids laugh and say it's fake. I tell them it's not — rasslers like The Rock, Mankind, The Godfather and Triple H are real. That makes them laugh at me even more. But if they watched rasslin' just one time, I'm sure they'd change their minds. Tell them to watch it once, Dotti. Tell them rasslin' is real. — Fan in New Jersey

Dear Fan: Rasslin' is not only a fake, it's stupid and boring, too. The only reason why I watch it week after week after week is to see how stupid it can get — especially when my personal favorite, The Godfather, shows up with his ho's!

Mean baby wets the bed every night — on purpose!

Dear Dotti: Ever since I brought this baby of mine home from the hospital my life has not been good. It cries half the night. And as God is my witness, it wets the bed every night — on purpose. I know you'll say that I am paranoid and that the baby isn't wetting the bed on purpose. But it cries for food and everything else it wants, so it certainly seems it could cry to let somebody know it wanted to go potty. I'm tired of all this cleaning up! What should I do? — Susan in Tennessee

SUSAN in Tennessee.

Dear Susan: A simple two-point plan ought to do the trick: 1. Give that precious baby up for adoption. 2. Have those tubes of yours tied as tightly as the doctor can pull them — preferably around your neck!

Pinhead/butthead — what's the difference?

Dear Dotti: I love your column, and I read it religiously but I'm confused by some of the terminology that you're always using. Will you please explain the difference between a "pinhead" and a "butthead?" I'm sure that I'm not the only one of your loyal readers who would like to know. — Carol in Nebraska

CAROL in Nebraska.

Dear Carol: A pinhead is what you were before you asked this question. A butthead is what you are for asking it. That's it — I gotta go!

Here's how YOU can write DOTTI PRIMROSE

Send Los Angeles-based Dotti a letter, and a picture if possible — and let her tell it like it is. Write to Dear Dotti, c/o Weekly World News, 5401 Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, Fla. 33487. We'll forward your letters to her. *NOTE: Even though she tries her best, it would be impossible for Dotti to answer all of the thousands of letters she gets each week.*

Romance tips from the Bible

Find yourself a heavenly mate with . . .

AUTHOR: Rabbi Shmuley Boteach.

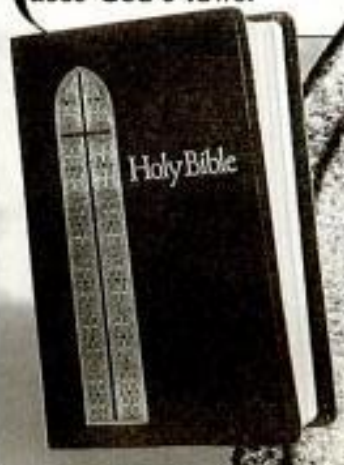
By MICHAEL FORSYTH
Weekly World News

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF DATING!

DATING IN THE YEAR 2000 IS COMPLEX — but you can stay on the right track by following tips found in the Bible, reveals a rabbi in a new book titled *Dating Secrets of the Ten Commandments.*

The Ten Commandments can be used as "an effective dating code," Rabbi Schumley Boteach said in a recent interview.

Here is a sample of how the clergyman's unusual new back-to-the-Bible approach uses God's laws:



I THOU SHALT LOVE THE LORD THY GOD WITH ALL THY HEART AND WITH ALL THY SOUL AND ALL THY MIGHT. Rabbi Boteach says this tells people not to be conceited. God is the center of the universe, not you — so don't try to convince your date otherwise.

"Stop making an idol of yourself or a date," he says. "Show

should be willing to overlook the minor flaws of potential mates who have much to offer. Instead of being finicky, he says, you should give a date "a chance to sweep you off your feet."

VI THOU SHALT NOT KILL. Avoid harsh criticism. "Words kill worse than a knife," says the rabbi. "Be lavish with your praise. Do you know

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openness."

I THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME. Just as the Lord wants your undivided attention, potential love partners hate it when you yap about former boyfriends or girlfriends. "Don't be haunted by ghosts past," advises the rabbi.

II THOU SHALT NOT TAKE THE NAME OF THE LORD THY GOD IN VAIN. Men think potty-mouthed women are low-class and gals find cussing and boastful talk from men a turn-off.

IV KEEP THE SABBATH DAY TO SANCTIFY IT. Setting aside a day for the Lord's business is the surest way of showing Him your love. And in the same way, devoting time exclusively to your sweetheart is vital. "Give your date the gift of time: Yourself," the clergyman suggests.

V HONOR THY FATHER AND MOTHER. This Commandment is about gratitude, Rabbi Boteach explains. Just as we should be grateful to our parents despite all their faults, we how a woman feels when she's told she's gorgeous? When men are thanked for the preparation they've put into a date?"

VII THOU SHALT NOT COMMIT ADULTERY. Adultery can mean giving yourself sexually to someone who doesn't deserve it. "People should delay sex until they're emotionally intimate," he says.

VIII THOU SHALT NOT STEAL. "A person's most prized possession is not their car, it's their heart," Rabbi Boetech says. "Don't mislead people on dates."

IX THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS AGAINST THY NEIGHBOR. Build-ing trust is very important in a relationship, so never lie — and keep your commitments. "If you say you'll be there at 8:00, be there at 8:00," says Rabbi Boteach.

X THOU SHALT NOT COVET. "Stop looking over your shoulder at who you're not dating," says the Rabbi. "Focus on who you are dating."

MIRACLE CURE FOR ASTHMA: COMMON ANTIBIOTICS!

Great news for asthma sufferers! Common antibiotics can eliminate or greatly reduce symptoms in many people plagued by the condition, experts reveal.

"The new treatment is based on the belief that asthma is often caused by lung inflammation due to infection by the common bacteria Chlamydia pneumoniae, or Cpn," said Dr. David Hahn.

"Cpn can infect the lungs and respiratory tract for years. But when antibiotics clear up the bacteria, the asthma symptoms are greatly reduced or eliminated entirely in 50 percent of patients.

"Candidates for treatment are asthmatics who also test positive for Cpn — about 85 percent of adult asthmatics and 12 percent of child asthmatics."

Until recently, no one suspected a link between bacteria and asthma, said Dr. Hahn.

"The condition was blamed on allergies and lung inflamation caused by unknown factors. But many researchers now believe that Cpn infection is what first causes the lung inflamation that produces wheezing and shortness of breath in many people — especially those with adult-onset asthma."

In a study conducted by Dr. Hahn, 46 adult asthmatics who tested positive for Cpn were given two antibiotics — doxycycline andazithromycin — for three to nine weeks.

"Of the 46 patients, 25 had either a complete remission or a major improvement of their symptoms," said Dr. Hahn. "And the positive effects lasted for more than six months."

In another study, 12 severely asthmatic children who tested positive for Cpn were treated with the antibiotics erythromycin or clarithromycin for 10 days to two weeks.

"Nine of the 12 had major improvement in their symptoms," said pediatrician Dr. Margaret Hammeschlag.

"And they remained practically symptom-free for seven or more months."

Dr. Hahn added that the new findings offer hope to more than a million Americans with asthma.

"I recommend that asthmatics who are not being helped by current treatments ask their doctor about antibiotic treatment."

TIRED OF GETTING PUSHED AROUND?

Here's how to win any argument!

You can win an argument with a friend, co-worker or spouse if you follow the advice of experts:

- **Get the first word.** If you see an inevitable argument coming up, bring up the subject before the other person does. You'll be far better prepared emotionally than your opponent will be.
- **Stick to one topic.** Bringing up other subjects merely confuses the issue. If you don't keep a clear notion of the point you are trying to make, you can't win an argument.
- **Don't get personal.** The single most damaging thing you can do in an argument is to attack the other person instead of the problem at hand. You won't solve your dilemma — and you'll probably end up making an enemy.
- **Stick with it.** Don't call a temporary truce to an argument out of temper or frustration or you'll lose your momentum and diminish your chances of victory. Keep the ball rolling until the issue is resolved.
- **Allow the other person to score some points.** Find a minor issue you're willing to "sacrifice" to your opponent. He'll be more willing to concede if allowed to save face.
- **Use a little humor if appropriate.** A friendly joke in the middle of an argument can help when you're dealing with an understanding friend or spouse. But be careful if you're arguing about a very touchy subject. It may serve only to make the other person angry.

THIS IS NOT the way to win an argument. Follow these rules to win every time!

Nearly 4 in 10 Americans skipped breakfast today!

In the last 24 hours, 44 percent of Americans ate beef and 38 percent skipped breakfast; 29 percent ate chicken; 28 percent snacked on potato chips, pretzels or other salty snacks, according to a 1998 nationwide survey.

Hefty equals healthy!

Average-size American women are making themselves literally sick by trying to look like the women they see in films, TV commercials and magazine ads!

Rebecca Radcliffe, an expert on eating disorders, says that women are suffering with bulimia and anorexia caused, in part, by trying to achieve an unrealistic body weight.

The average woman in the United States is 5 feet, 4 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds and wear a size-14 dress.

The average actress or model seen in films, magazines and television is 5 foot 7, weighs 100 pounds and wears a size-eight dress or smaller. Mrs. Radcliffe said we are constantly bombarded with images of these "ideal" women and that's causing average women to feel physically inadequate. "What we see doesn't match ordinary women's bodies," said Mrs. Radcliffe

The result is a rising tide of eating disorders as women starve themselves in an attempt to achieve an unrealistic body weight.

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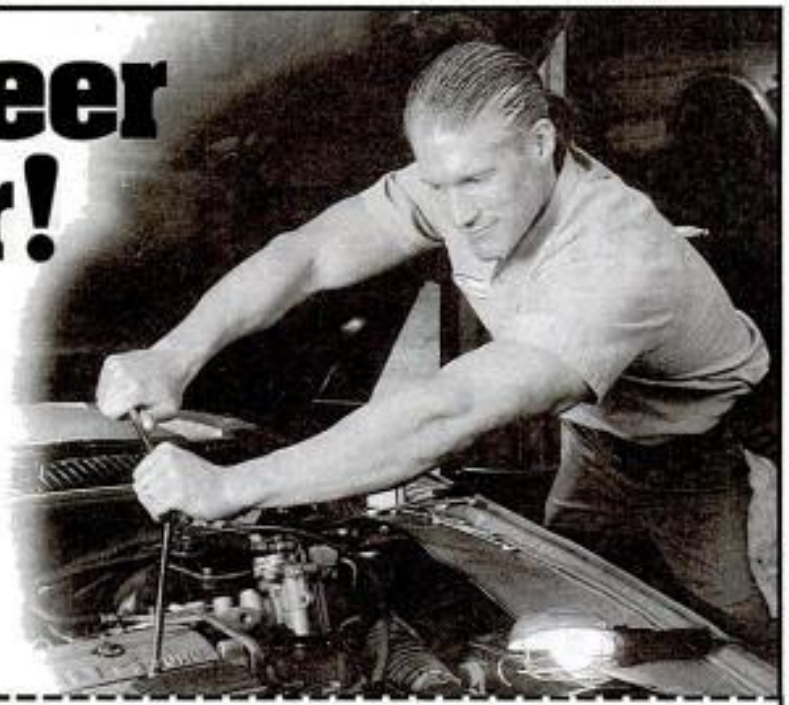

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VERA in Massachusetts.

Dear Serena: Every night I dream that my husband dies. After his funeral, I move back into my parents' home and fall in love with a childhood friend.

I love my husband dearly, Serena, and this dream is scaring me to death. What does it mean? I feel so guilty when I wake up in the morning that I think I'm going to go totally insane. — Vera in Massachusetts

Dear Vera: The meaning of your dreams is quite simple. You're clinging to the past because you are afraid of growing older. I peered into your future and saw that you will soon resolve this conflict. When you do, you will stop having this dream — and find the contentment you so richly deserve!

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Dear Serena: My husband and I separated after 14 years of marriage. Do you see him ever coming back to me and our five children or should I get on with my life and stop waiting for him? — Gina in Illinois

GINA in Illinois.

Dear Gina: The image of your future in my crystal ball is cloudy, possibly because you aren't 100 percent sure whether you want your husband back or not. Once you make up your mind, your future will be much clearer. Meanwhile, you should do everything possible to get your own life, thoughts and wishes on track!

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Dear Serena: I think you're the greatest. The thing is, I've written you five times and have never gotten an answer. My problem — money — was solved when I won a lottery jackpot using your lucky numbers. My question now is why haven't you answered my letters? — Sally in Florida

SALLY in Florida.

Dear Sally: Each week I receive 8,000 to 10,000 letters and I simply cannot answer them all. I do pray and meditate over ALL of the letters I get and try my best to bring luck and good fortune to everyone who writes me.

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Dear Serena: *The Wizard of Oz* is my favorite movie of all time. Actually there are a lot of movies I prefer, but I've always called it my favorite because I firmly believe I am the reincarnation of Judy Garland. When I saw the movie for the very first time, I felt like I knew all the words of all the songs. I was born just 12 days after she died and I'm real short, just like she was. Please tell me — am I the reincarnation of Judy Garland? — Munchkin Lover in Connecticut

Dear Lover: Though you are not the reincarnation of Judy Garland, your soul has a spiritual bond with her soul that is very strong. Many years from now you will have a very rewarding meeting with her in the Afterlife.

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Dear Serena: At a party last week we were playing the game Twister. My wife's brother ended up winning when I lost my balance and took my foot off a blue circle. It was kind of controversial though because I thought he bumped me illegally and caused me to tip over and lose my balance. We argued about it for the rest of the night because I really felt cheated. The weird part is that his wife agreed with me, while my wife agreed with him. You're our only hope — please look back and tell us what happened — Cheated in Iowa

Dear Cheated: You were bumped slightly by your brother-in-law but don't complain. Many of your attempts to knock him over were a lot rougher than the hip check he gave you.

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Dear Serena: My mother's going to remodel the house I grew up in. The thing is about 10 years ago I hid my porno magazines under the floor in my bedroom and now they have slid back out of reach. I'm guessing there are 100 or more mags down there — and some of them are pretty nasty. If she has the builders tear out the floor in my room like she says she might, then I could end up humiliated. I live 200 miles from home, so I don't know what I to do. Please help. — Wayne in Utah

WAYNE in Utah.

Dear Wayne: Be there on April 6 at 7:30 a.m. Explain your problem to the workers — they'll be happy to haul them off for you without saying anything to your mother.

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PERSONAL TO . . .

Candy in Oregon: **I see nothing but success and good fortune coming your way.**

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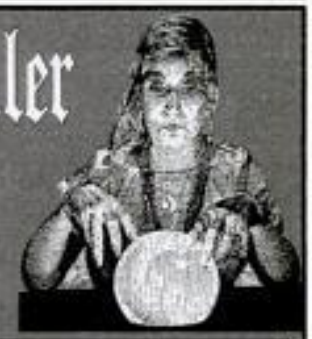

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If the number of letters in your first name is 5 or less, subtract that number from 7. If there are more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract the total from 13.

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26	35	43

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ACROSS

1 Qualities, characteristics
7 Palm fruits
12 Actor Falk
17 Raise in rank
23 Squabble
24 Withdraws from a union
25 Small crown
27 Diminish, lessen
28 Acting platforms
29 Pie nuts
30 Combustible material
31 Homesteaded, bird-style
33 Kingdom
35 Zebra's marking
36 Olympian
37 Vitality, vigor
38 Literary conclusion (Var)
41 Swiftly, quickly
43 Circus shelter
45 Tardy
46 Tenet
47 Relates, narrates
50 Walks proudly
52 Stick to
54 Comedian Chevy
56 Contends for
58 Adolescent
59 Assert confidently
60 Drench
61 Food containers
64 Peruvian Indians
66 Mate for mommy
69 Well-founded
71 Use a razor
72 Converse idly
74 Small amount
76 Daring feat
77 Vagrants
78 Peels
79 Chinese dogs
80 Make amends
81 Enjoys a novel
84 Outer edge
85 Bandleader Brown
86 Scents
88 Moby Dick type
89 Gumby does this
90 Male falcon
91 Banana skins
92 Billiards target
94 Greek god of war
95 Teeter-totter
98 Retain
99 Onion's relative
100 Broad ties
104 Ship's crane
106 Inflates
108 Go bunny-style
111 Contributor
113 Capital of Vietnam
114 Boggy land
116 Elliptical
118 Reply
120 Hook together
121 Louver board
122 Make a choice
124 Require
126 Pear variety
127 Lubricant
129 Barter
130 Lost temporarily
131 Interval of relief
132 Bury
133 West Coast state (Abbr)
134 Nearby
135 Fencing swords
138 Bridge support
140 Make ready
142 Follows closely
145 Like a prison window
147 Dollar bills
148 Mild oath
149 Root vegetable
150 Unlock
151 Tore open
154 Splinter
157 Actress Garr
158 Unhappy
159 Nimble
162 Sleep noisily
163 Transgression
164 "Where there's —, there's fire"
167 Drink holder
169 " — of Dog"
171 Eve's mate
173 Young boys
176 Compositions
179 Be concerned about
180 Bugs Bunny type
183 Domesticates
185 Desert wanderers
188 Solemnly swears
190 Placed on the payroll
191 Tilts
192 Frontiersman Carson
193 High mountain
195 Wide open
196 Befitting a king
197 Aviator
198 Price-cutting events
200 Monthly maps
202 Coarse files
205 Small, medium and large
207 Copycat
208 " —, justice and the American way"
209 Wagons
210 Watched secretly
212 Pick up the tab
213 Flank
215 Broadcasts
216 Rabbit's relative
217 Lyric poems
219 Threesome
221 Novelist Zola
223 Modifies a bill
225 Scold, rebuke
227 Courtroom event
229 Higher in place
231 Fit of anger
232 Hair coverings
234 Spotless
236 Adds up
237 Animal lineages
239 Melodious
241 Walking poles
244 Touched down
245 African desert
247 Weds secretly
249 Weight-watcher
251 Reddish brown
253 Chest liner
254 Of the same kin
255 Restaurant workers
256 Group of lions
257 Tranquilized
258 Stitched
259 Future plants
260 Wobbles

DOWN

2 Satisfy fully
3 Dance around
4 Quiche ingredient
5 Pool sticks
6 Examination
7 Most profound
8 Adorned, trimmed
9 Steeped beverage
10 Ferber or Millay
11 Six-line stanza
12 Type of plant
13 Pennsylvania city
14 2,000 pounds
15 Made beloved
16 Go in again
18 Pealed, sounded
19 Heed
20 Mother's
21 Weasel relatives
22 Wigwams
24 Barbecue skewer
26 Forest plant
28 Maple syrup starter
32 Performed
33 Oversee a movie
34 Steeps in liquid
39 Contract escapes
40 Visitors
42 Singer Presley
44 Trample on
45 Jeans type (TM)
46 Birthday baked-goods
48 Dryer fuzz
49 Stable, safe
51 Beneath
53 Stops
54 Rough, grating
55 Possess
57 More rational
60 Hammerhead fish
62 Bedouin
63 Tea cake
65 Pile up
67 Plumbing problem
68 Native of Aden
69 Country estates
70 Royal flush cards
71 "Star Trek" Vulcan
72 Navigator's map
73 Fills with wonder
75 Concluded
79 Utter confusion
82 Actress Sandra
83 Icy rain
86 Musical drama
87 Female deer
90 Identical pairs
93 Tarnish
96 Egyptian peacemaker
97 River in England
101 Blackthorn fruit
102 Stick to
103 Tony Danza sitcom (3 wds)
105 Village residents
106 Spellbinding
107 Captivating
109 — and done with
110 Chattered, gabbed
112 Fishing spool
113 Fastener
114 Auto mishaps (2 wds)
115 Comfort
117 Showed the way
119 Responded
120 Jodie and Stephen
121 Senator (Abbr)
123 Goes with desist
125 Clock faces
126 Goatee
128 Lariat
136 Mate for mama
137 Sea eagle
139 Old-time dagger
141 Chums
143 Actor Carney
144 Actress Singer
146 Serious play
149 Salad ingredient
152 Mr. Stravinsky
153 Skinflint
155 Field mice
156 Epochs
160 Paint layers
161 Singer Ross
164 Sugary
165 The U.S. has 50
166 Works dough
168 Rescues
169 Left a flying plane (2 wds)
170 Blunder
171 Embarrass
172 Continuous noise
174 Junkyard animal
175 Clever
177 Bear and Berra
178 African country
179 "A — off the old block"
181 Entice, charm
182 Borscht ingredients
183 Pinball problem
184 Swat, smack
186 Asunder
187 Kalahari or Mojave
189 Luge
192 Actress Black
194 Before
197 Pirate's bird
198 Step
199 Seed covering
200 Proofreader's mark
201 Family car
203 Matched set
204 Impassive
206 Confiscated
209 Negligee
211 Abhorred
214 Put back
216 Drawer pulls
218 Irish dogs
220 More understandable
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224 Extinguished
226 Dodges, eludes
228 Refer to
230 Dance step
231 Prophet
233 Knights' titles
235 Actress Jillian
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239 Apportion; — out
240 Italian coins
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250 Night before
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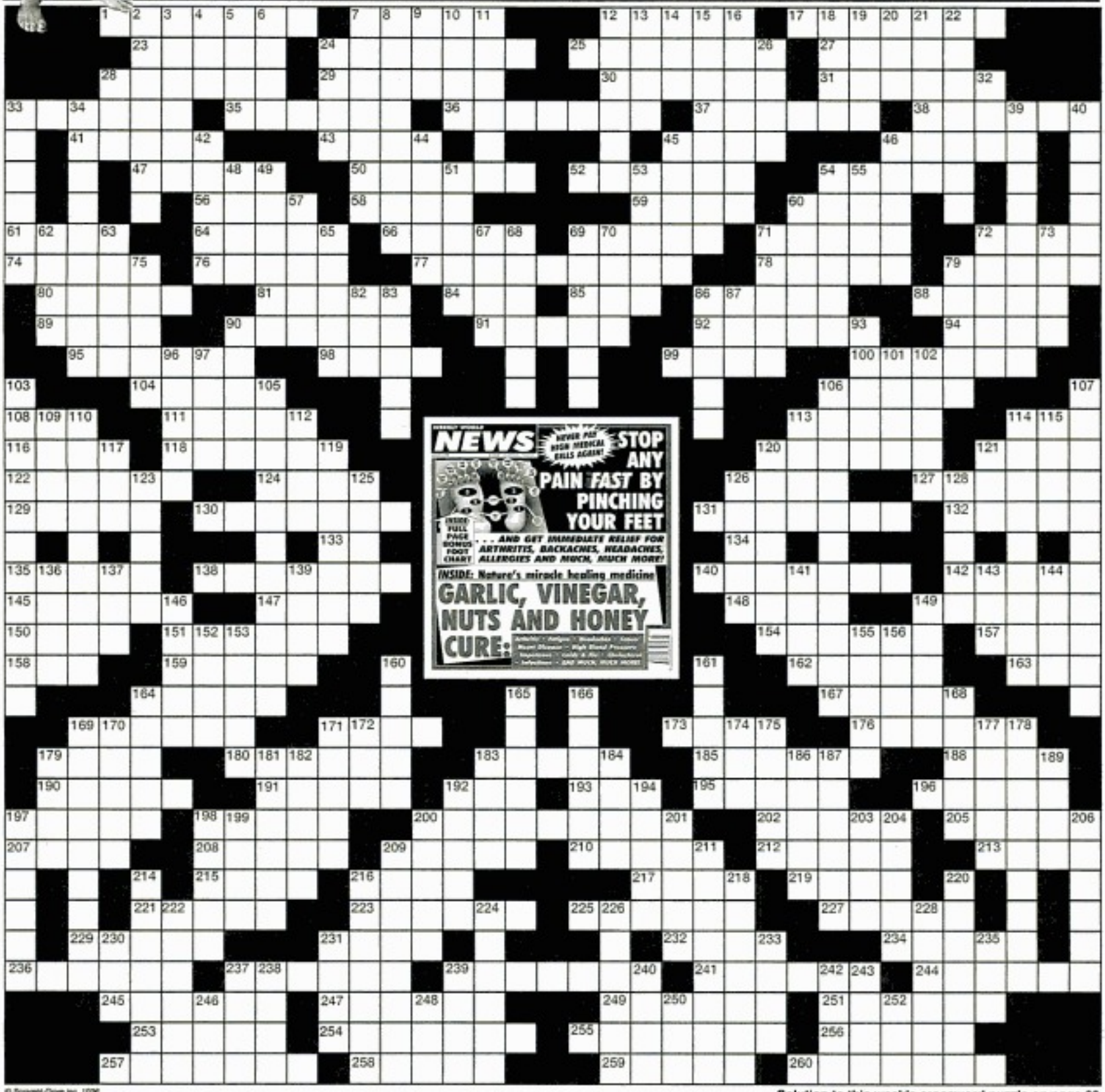

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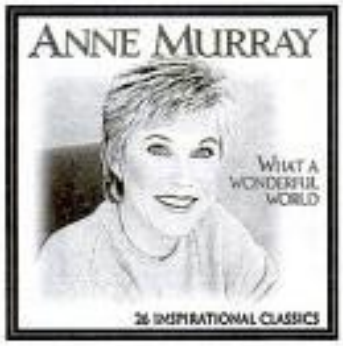

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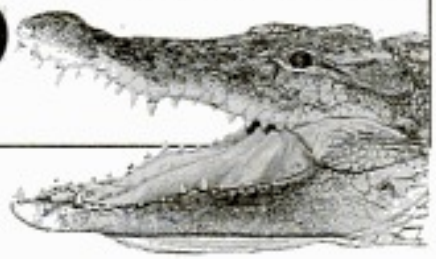

By JUNE SAWYER / *Weekly World News*

Here's how to have a gorgeous complexion!

You can keep your skin healthy and looking its best with expert advice from the American Medical Association (AMA).

"Skin care is a never-ending problem because the skin is the common boundary between the person and the external environment. It's subjected to all the changes of wind, humidity, temperature, pollution, bacteria, infections and many other things," said dermatologist Dr. Marvin E. Chernosky.

Here — from the official *AMA Book of Skin and Hair Care* — is important skin-care advice from the AMA's top experts, including Dr. Chernosky:

AGING: Most changes in the skin that we associate with aging — excessive dryness, wrinkling and age spots — are due to ultraviolet rays of sunlight.

Age spots can be minimized if you avoid sunbathing and extreme exposure to light. Use a sun-protection screen when you can't avoid going out in the sunlight. Various bleach creams may lighten the color of the spots. See your doctor if the spots are enlarging, becoming thicker or developing a crust.

DRY SKIN: Humidifying the air in your home helps restore your skin's softness.

To combat dry skin, take fewer, faster baths. Use bath oil. And avoid extremely hot bath water. Moisturize arms and legs daily with creams or lotions. Apply body lotions after every bath and before bed.

Dermatologist Dr. John R. Haserick says it's best for women of all skin types not to use any makeup. But if you're one of the many women who do and you have dry skin, then apply a foundation cream under your makeup to protect your skin from cold wind. Skip powder and alternate the use of cleansing cream with soap and water.

OILY SKIN: Most cases are adequately controlled with soap and water cleansing three or four times a day. An astringent or an astringent cleansing pad can be used.

Use loose powder and non-oily foundation lotions. Stay away from oils and oil-like substances.

COMBINATION SKIN: Excessive dryness on the sides of your cheeks, temples and eyelids may be relieved by a lubricating cream applied sparingly once or twice a day.

The oiliness in the center area of your face can be decreased by washing with a moderately drying soap two or three times a day and by using a non-greasy cleanser. If your forehead and nose and chin are still very oily, use an astringent two or three times a day in those areas.

BEST WAY TO CLEANSE THE SKIN: Bathing once a day is adequate and, during the winter months or for elderly people, may even be too much of a good thing.

Avoid using very hot water and scrubbing with strong soaps. Don't massage soap into your skin; don't use medicated soaps unless advised by your physician; rinse away all traces of soap.

CHAPPED SKIN: Use as little soap as possible and bathe in warm — not hot — water, adding a capful of oil. While your skin is still wet, apply a thin film of bland, unmedicated cream or lotion, then towel-dry. Keep your home adequately humidified. Apply creams and lotions frequently. Always dry your hands thoroughly.

BLACKHEADS: Wash frequently with soap and water. Special soaps are not necessary. During the day, remove excess oil with an astringent.

Avoid cream and oily cosmetics.

Fairy fight!

PARIS — Seventy-one seething gays brawled for 23 minutes at a nightclub here, police say — and nobody got so much as a scratch!

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How to avoid those stupid no-win situations you're always getting into!

Nobody likes to get stuck in a "no-win" situation — but you can sidestep these psychological traps by following a few simple suggestions, experts say.

By KELLY TURNER
Weekly World News

"All of us have wasted time, money and energy getting caught in little traps — like pouring money into a failing auto," said Dr. Frederick Koenig.

He and two other psychologists, Dr. Joel Brockner and Dr. Allan Teger, offered these tips to help you avoid becoming trapped in a no-win situation:

✔ **When you've made a mistake, admit it.** "If your present car is a clunker and you know you should trade it in because it's beyond repair, then do it," Dr. Teger advised. "Don't keep throwing good money after bad. It's a no-win situation that's going to cost you a lot."

✔ **Set limits on what you can afford — whether it's time, money or energy — and stick with it.** For example, if you plan on buying a car or washing machine, set a definite limit on how much money you can afford to spend for the item. "Don't get trapped into buying a model with 'extras,'" warned Dr. Koenig.

Tell a friend what your limit is and take him with you when you make your purchase to help you stay within your limit.

✔ **Don't follow the crowd.** "There's no reason in the world to be bulldozed into an action just because it's what other people are doing," Dr. Koenig said. Added Dr. Brockner: "For example, there's no need to sit through a boring movie or stay at a party you're not enjoying just because a crowd is watching and you'd feel conspicuous leaving. Simply get up and walk out. You'll be happier — and you can do something you really enjoy."

✔ **Remove yourself from an emotionally upsetting situation so you can examine it objectively.** For example, if you're having an argument and emotions are heating up, simply walk away from it. Go somewhere else — for a ride, or a cup of coffee, or just take a walk. Give yourself time to cool down. Think about how the argument began.

Figure out a way to resolve the dispute. Only then should you return to discuss the matter calmly.

"You can then take a potentially explosive no-win situation and turn it into something constructive," said Dr. Koenig.

✔ **If you recognize you're in a no-win situation, face the fact — and do something about it.** For example, one common no-win trap is a deteriorating, dead-end relationship, going nowhere fast.

"If you know the relationship has nowhere to go but down, there's no reason to sink with it," Dr. Koenig explained.

"Confront the other party involved, no matter how painful it may be, and resolve the problem by dissolving the relationship. It's much better than both of you wasting your lives."

PEOPLE BITES ARE WORSE THAN DOG BITES!

Getting bitten by a human is a lot worse than being bitten by a dog or cat!

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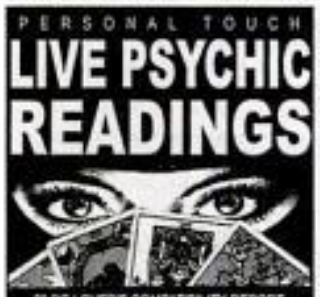
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Was female space alien sexually molested at Area 51 base?

ROSWELL, N.M. — The U.S. Air Force is fiercely denying reports that a dozen airmen face discipline for sexually molesting a female alien at the secret base known as Area 51!

The shocking allegations of sexual misconduct surfaced recently in a secret government memo, which stated that the frightened, slightly built space creature was surrounded, stripped and repeatedly groped by the jeering airmen at the base outside of Roswell.

Defenders of the airmen describe the incident merely as "macho horseplay," but others warn that such behavior risks retaliation from visiting aliens who have the capacity to incinerate Earth.

"If these charges are true, this is 10 times worse than the U.S. Navy's Tailhook scandal," said feminist leader Sandy Ackerden, head of the group Fairness to Females based in Las Vegas, Nev. She says she found the allegations "deeply troubling."

The incident allegedly took place in a large hangar where an alien-built component was being installed in an American F-16 by the female alien, a technician.

The men, who were working nearby, were having a heated discussion about an Oklahoma cheerleader who had reportedly been kidnapped and sexually violated by space aliens.

FEMINIST
Sandy Ackerden.

"The guys were really hyped up about it," a witness was quoted as telling Air Force investigators.

"They were punching walls and kicking the wheels of the plane. Then one guy said, 'We ought to teach them a lesson by doing the same thing to one of their women.' "

The men joked about the idea for a while, deliberately talking loud enough that the alien technician could hear — until finally they got worked up enough to take action. They allegedly gathered around behind the female alien, who was bent over the component.

"One of the guys, a pilot, came up right behind her and gave her a whack on the rear end," the eyewitness said.

"She gave a kind of a squeak and turned around. Another guy grabbed one of her breasts — the next thing you knew it was a total free-for-all."

The witness claims that the alien female was stripped stark naked and then pushed from man to man, each of whom took a turn manhandling her breasts, backside and genital area.

"Before it got any further, a senior officer arrived and ordered the men to stop," the witness said.

The Air Force has been quick to deny the report. A terse statement was released, saying:

"There is no secret military installation called Area 51, there are no aliens working there and there has been no inappropriate contact between Air Force personnel and any alien personnel."

Air Force investigators deny 12 airmen are under suspicion!

A SENIOR Air Force officer allegedly caught 12 American servicemen stripping a female alien technician naked and groping her while she was working in an oversized hanger at the super-secret base outside Roswell, N.M.

Strip basketball game lands boss in hot water!

DUBLIN, Ireland — An insurance executive is in big trouble for demanding his secretary take off her blouse — as his reward for throwing a paper wad into a wastepaper basket from 20 feet away!

Workers say boss Gerald O'Hara frequently placed bets in the office on his ability to "make baskets" with paper wads. One co-worker said O'Hara would pay $50 to workers when he missed — but demanded they shed a piece of clothing if he made the shot.

Elephant kidnaps woman!

KAMPALA, Uganda — A female tourist visiting a game park ignored warnings not to go near a male elephant to snap pictures — and the lumbering pachyderm picked her up in its trunk and dashed into the bushes!

Wildlife officials have launched an intensive search for the unidentified woman, described as a visitor from Toulon, France.

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DOLPHIN BORN WITH HUMAN ARMS DEAD AT 20 YEARS OLD

SCIENTISTS were stunned when they captured this amazing creature off the coast of California in 1992.

By TEDDY GERALD
Weekly World News

TOKYO — Ginza the dolphin has died at a marine laboratory near here — tragically ending the saga of the amazing sea mammal born with human arms and hands instead of flippers!

The one-of-a-kind creature, which had been kept in a special saltwater pool in the laboratory since being netted by scientists in 1992, died of unknown causes last week.

A team of experts from Japan, France and the United States is conducting a necropsy — an animal autopsy — to determine what killed the lovable dolphin and to attempt to find out what caused Ginza to grow arms in place of flippers.

"Any way you look at it, Ginza was the most amazing scientific discovery of the 1990s," said marine biologist Dr. Oto Masuda, head of the research facility that housed the dolphin. "Not only did he have nearly perfectly formed human limbs, he also was very intelligent and exhibited compassion, anger, frustration and other qualities that were almost human in nature.

"And now that he's gone, we are intent on finding out what biological forces were at work there — and whether there might be more like him swimming our oceans."

Ginza was captured by flabbergasted scientists during a research expedition off the California coast in February of 1992 and transported to a laboratory south of here.

"There was quite a flurry of publicity at the time and researchers came from around the world to study Ginza," Dr. Masuda said. "And when it became clear to us that he had an I.Q. higher than others of his species, we began teaching him to use his hands and arms to communicate with us in a primitive form of sign language, hoping we could actually delve into the mind of this startling creature."

But the project suffered a major setback less than two years later when the dolphin's left arm became trapped in a drain at the bottom of his pool and was mangled so badly that doctors had to amputate.

"After that, poor Ginza was never the same," Dr. Matsuda said. "With only one arm and hand, he lost nearly all ability to communicate with us in sign language, as well as his ability to leap and play in the pool, and he seemed to get more and more depressed as time went on.

"Normally, dolphins can expect to live up to 50 years but Ginza was only 20 years old or so when we found him dead in his pool. We've brought in the best people we can find to perform the necropsy and if they find he's disease-free, I can only assume that the poor fellow died of a broken heart."

Marine scientists mourn dolphin's death

MARINE BIOLOGIST Dr. Oto Masuda.

Dolphin with human arms loses limb!

Rare creature sucked into a pool drain

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Bizarre new fad for daredevils — swimming with piranhas!

By MIKE FOSTER / *Weekly World News*

SANTAREM, Brazil — The latest nutty fad among nature lovers is swimming with the piranhas!

Thousands of people from around the world have been converging on a stretch of the Amazon River near here to engage in the bizarre back-to-nature activity.

Remarkably, fewer than a dozen enthusiasts have been eaten alive by the razor-toothed predators since organized swims began last year and those who survive are convinced the rewards of the practice far outweigh the risks.

"The piranha is the ultimate symbol of the rain forest," said Greta Hartstacker of Berlin.

"To swim alongside these creatures without fear is a true statement that you are one with nature."

TOURISTS are paying $100 a pop for the thrill of swimming with the deadly fish.

MONSTER MUNCHER: Piranhas can rip the flesh from other living creatures with their razor-sharp teeth.

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Piranhas are among the most feared of all the Amazon jungle predators, legendary for their ability to strip a cow of its flesh and whittle it down to a skeleton in under eight minutes. Even savage headhunters tremble at the sight of the small-but-deadly creatures they call "devil fish."

But environmentalists insist that the flesh-chowing fish have gotten a bad rap.

"A piranha is like any other creature in nature — it eats when it's hungry," insists Ava Trundheim, a Swedish naturalist who organizes the swimming sessions. "They are not monsters."

In fact, she says, piranhas are playful and curious creatures that "will come right up to you as you swim and begin to prod and tease you, like children trying to get an adult's attention."

To make sure the "children" don't misbehave, organizers feed them a short time before swimmers go in, allowing the fish to fully gorge themselves on cow heads.

"Immediately after a feeding frenzy, piranhas are no more dangerous to humans than dolphins and swimming with a school of them can be twice as fun," Miss Trundheim explained.

After paying $100 apiece for the privilege, 12 swimmers at a time climb into a shallow bend of the river where piranhas are common.

Outfitted with snorkeling gear, they dive, frolic and play with the creatures for a half hour — after which the fish start to get dangerously munchy again.

Only on a few occasions have disasters occurred and these were all unsupervised swimming sessions in which novices, thrilled by the experience, have returned after hours for another go.

One such victim was British fish fanatic Ian Clegg, who went skinny-dipping in the river alone.

"They carved him up like a turkey," said a local who helped recover Clegg's picked-clean bones.

While the fad has brought in millions of tourist dollars, it makes Brazilian authorities uneasy. "I have seen what piranhas can do," said a official. "Anyone who'd swim with them is crazy."

Handy household tips for everyday chores!

You can impress your friends and make your home a nicer place with these tips from the experts:

- **Clean copper by rubbing it with ketchup or a mixture of vinegar and salt.**
- **To rid a room of cooking odors, spray a little cologne on a light bulb and turn on the light.**
- **To cover minor scratches on wood furniture, make a paste of cigar ash and lemon oil and rub it gently in the direction of the grain.**

COURT ORDERS HUBBY TO TAKE WIFE DANCING — ONCE A WEEK!

TEL AVIV, Israel — A 34-year-old husband who claimed he was too bushed to boogie was nevertheless ordered by a rabbinical court to take his wife dancing in a disco at least once a week!

The court ordered the harried hubby to "shake it down" with his lightfooted wife "to facilitate marital harmony."

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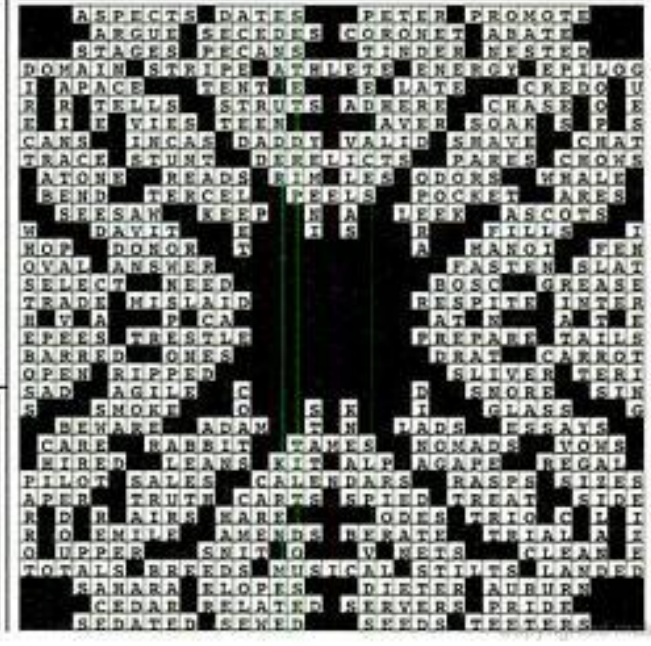

'INDECENT PROPOSAL'

HERE ARE 2 STORIES YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE!

By TEDDY GERALD / *Weekly World News*

Man offers up his wife for $1,000,000!

BAD MUENSTEREIFEL, Germany — Hard-luck hubby Rainer Weiss has announced plans to appear on a national TV talk show, seeking someone who'll cough up a cool $1 million — for a night of sex with his blonde, blue-eyed wife Carmen!

Rainer, penniless and unemployed, says he decided to sell his cocktail-waitress mate for the German equivalent of a million bucks after seeing the movie *Indecent Proposal*, in which a millionaire played by Robert Redford forked over that amount to spend the night with a wife played by Demi Moore.

And curvy Carmen, 28, says she has no objections to the racy arrangement.

"We're broke and in debt," she says. "And what's one night, anyway? Maybe it'll be a nice change.

"If anyone takes us up on the offer, I'll make him happy — and think of the money."

The couple's plans have sparked outrage from clergymen, who say their proposal is nothing short of prostitution — and from police, who have warned Rainer that he could be charged with pimping.

But the troubled hubby says he sees no other way out of his financial predicament.

"I owe the bank $50,000 and I can't work because of back problems, so we don't have a lot of choice," he said. "I'm not gloating about it and I'm not proud of it. I'll close my eyes and try not to think about it when Carmen is with another man."

Rainer, a former construction worker, was left disabled after a back operation went wrong. He then had to fork over $40,000 in legal fees when he sued his doctor and lost.

DEBTS: Weiss's

Husband sells sex with wife on telly

From ALLAN HALL in Berlin

A JOBLESS husband wil auction his wife on TV today for a £330,000 one-night stand.

Student lawyer Rainer Weiss and his waitress wife Carmen are desperate to clear £23,000 debts.

But the offer has caused outrage and Rainer has been told he could be charged with pimping and face jail.

But the couple ar unrepentant. Carmen, 28 said: "I've nothing to b ashamed of. This is abou money, not romance.

"I love my husband ver much. But we can't mak ends meet. Anyway, wh

SHOCKING story has sparked outrage and made headlines around the world.

SEX FOR SALE: Some folks say that if Rainer Weiss gets $1,000,000 for sex with his wife Carmen, he should be arrested for pimping.

MT. RUSHMORE IS SAFE FROM ALIEN ATTACK!

WASHINGTON — Forget what you've seen in Hollywood movies such as *Independence Day* about space aliens blowing up famous landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, Mount Rushmore and the White House. Military experts believe that if the E.T.s ever attack Earth, they won't waste time trying to "demoralize" the population by targeting sites we hold sacred.

Instead, according to a still-classified Pentagon report, the aliens will simply use their superweapons to incinerate every man, woman and child on Earth as quickly as possible.

Religious nuts selling their kidneys to hire hitman!

TEHRAN, Iran — After 11 years, Islamic zealots are still hopping mad at British novelist Salman Rushdie for blaspheming their religion in his book, *Satanic Verses*. In fact, they're so angry they're selling their kidneys to pay someone to kill him!

Back in 1989, Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini condemned Rushdie to death, ordering what amounts to a "hit" on the controversial writer.

He put a $2.8 million price on Rushdie's head.

Then, in 1998, Iran called off the death order, hoping to ease tensions with England.

But some hard-core Islamic fundamentalists refuse to let bygones be bygones. More than 500 of them are pledging to sell one kidney each to raise money to reinstate the execution order.

Selling body organs is legal in Iran.

Human snake repellers make big bucks!

NEW DELHI, India — You can rake in big bucks as a snake charmer in India — but you can earn even more money as a snake repeller!

For reasons no one can explain, some people have the natural gift of repelling snakes. Even deadly cobras and other fierce man-killers will hiss angrily and slither away when such individuals are around, experts say.

In countries like India where a single snake can decimate a poultry farm, these human snake repellers are hired to clear an area of the reptiles — just by walking around!

I go to a very patriotic golf course. Every time I call them up to reserve a starting time, their answer is: "Oh, say, can you tee by the dawn's early light?"

COURTROOM OUTRAGE!

Idiot judge blames 11-year-old girl in sex attack — and she was the victim!

By MICHAEL FORSYTH / *Weekly World News*

ROCKVILLE, Md. — A bone-headed judge gave a child molester a slap on the wrist for having sex with an 11-year-old girl — telling her family in open court that the victim was partly at fault because "It takes two to tango."

The tasteless remark by Judge Durke G. Thompson stunned the courtroom and outraged feminists, the victim's relatives and prosecutors.

"The judge blamed the little girl and not the defendant," Doug Gansler, the State's Attorney for Montgomery County, Md., told reporters. "He victimized the victim."

The shocking crime committed by Vladimir Chacon-Bonilla was an open-and-shut case of a sex predator preying on an innocent youngster in her own home.

"The girl's mother woke up at about 3:00 in the morning with a feeling something was wrong," John McClane, a spokesman for the State's Attorney, told *Weekly World News*.

"She went into the daughter's bedroom and smelled cigarettes and alcohol. Then she opened the closet and found the defendant inside with his pants down around his ankles.

"She screamed and her husband and son rushed in. They held him for the police."

A police investigation revealed that Chacon-Bonilla, 23, had met the little girl in an Internet chatroom and arranged to meet her at her home. The twisted creep admitted to cops that he'd had sex with the child in her bedroom that night — but insisted that he had thought she was 17.

SEX CREEP Vladimir Chacon-Bonilla.

Chacon-Bonilla pleaded guilty to a second-degree sex offense and went before Circuit Court Judge Thompson for sentencing. State guidelines recommended up to nine years and prosecutors expected the jurist to throw the book at the perverted sex fiend.

Instead, Judge Thompson ordered the child molester jailed for just 18 months, noting that it was his first offense and that, after all, the little girl had gone along with the sex act willingly.

"This has not wrecked anyone's life," the judge commented as he handed down the sentence.

"The old adage 'It takes two to tango' is true here."

But the judge's words ignited a firestorm of controversy, with the local chapter of the National Organization for Women swiftly calling for his removal from the bench. Law-enforcement officials were livid.

"This defendant is nothing less than a sexual predator who preyed upon a mere child," prosecutor Gansler said. "He deserved a severe sentence for this awful crime.

"This was a felony sex offense against an 11-year-old girl. This sex offender got a sentence that is more appropriate for a shoplifter."

Judge Thompson later issued a press release saying that he regretted his choice of words, but insisted that "in every other respect the sentence was fair, proportionate and correct."

Judge: Sex offense victim shared blame

Remarks that 11-year-old girl also guilty anger prosecutors

By TERRY LANE

SHOCKING statement made by Judge Durke G. Thompson, "It takes two to tango," stunned and outraged feminists, the victim's relatives and prosecutors.

Beans boost memory, say researchers

MUNICH, Germany — Can't remember your daughter-in-law's first name or where you left your car keys? A heaping helping of beans might help!

Researchers here have found that consuming 30 milligrams of iron or zinc immediately boosts your powers of recall — and a big bowl of beans contains enough of each to do the trick.

It isn't easy being a tuba player. After every note you have to say: "Excuse me!"

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TAURUS
Apr. 20 — May 20

Your loving gestures will bring rewards all year long. Be sure to express gratitude for favors done and to appreciate those who are loyal and true.

Difficulties at home or work will soon be resolved. Efforts to make you look bad will fail.

Keep your chin up — the blues will pass and you will soon be fine.

GEMINI
May 21 — June 20

Peace will reign through the week, but there are several people who harbor resentments against you. Try to resolve all disagreements amicably.

You can expect a welcome surprise from a loved one.

Have you forgotten to tend to a financial matter? Get it taken care of soon for an excellent outcome.

CANCER
June 21 — July 22

Be careful: You could be headed for trouble. Use your head and beg off wild parties for a few weeks.

On a more pleasant note, a dream holds the key to romantic adventure. Trust your instincts and true happiness will be yours.

A piece of "junk" in your home could be worth a fortune.

LEO
July 23 — Aug. 22

Lucky you! A stranger has had his eye on you recently and plans to do you a great big favor. Share your good fortune with family and friends.

Resist the urge to get testy with those you love. They're trying to help you solve a problem you may not even be aware you have.

Don't make promises you can't keep.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 — Sept. 22

This week will be full of bizarre happenings for you, but most will be extremely pleasant — so relax and enjoy the roller-coaster ride.

Someone in authority thinks you are special and could be planning to reward you in a big way.

If you don't believe in ghosts now, you very well could before the week is out.

LIBRA
Sept. 23 — Oct. 22

This week will be full of joy — if you are able to settle a long-standing family dispute. This problem will only get worse if you allow it to fester.

Now is the perfect time to sit down calmly with those involved and air your differences. Using your skills as a negotiator, you will soon be able to resolve the problem.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23 — Nov. 21

Your generous nature will make you inclined to spend a great deal of money on relatives this week — but be frugal.

Instead of buying an expensive gift for a certain loved one, purchase a less costly item that has a special meaning for that person.

Your thoughtful choice will be greatly appreciated.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 — Dec. 21

That famous Sagittarian luck of yours comes to the fore and gets you out of a minor scrape.

But don't push that luck too far. It's a bad time to indulge in any kind of gambling. Spend that lottery money on a child and you can't go wrong.

Doing a small home repair makes you a hero to your family.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 — Jan. 19

Emotions can run high this week. But watch your temper, particularly with a business associate you think is out to get you. Your restraint will pay big dividends.

Reconsider some of your New Year's resolutions, particularly the ones regarding self-improvement. You may be being too hard on yourself.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 — Feb. 18

Your week will be highlighted by a long-lost friend. Even though you had a painful disagreement with this friend many years ago, all that is forgotten and you will be able to restart your relationship like it was during the good times.

Be careful with your money. There are dishonest people who would like to take advantage of you — be wary of them.

PISCES
Feb. 19 — Mar. 20

During the week, you should make a decision on that long-term relationship you've been thinking about — whether it's with a lover or a business partner.

If you must end the relationship don't be afraid. You will have plenty of opportunities for you.

An elderly visitor will give you some thoughtful advice. You should follow it.

If your birthday is this week . . .

You have a great capacity for joy — and for bringing joy to others. This year, this aspect of your personality will earn you wonderful personal rewards and a number of new friends.

Your social successes should spill over into financial areas as contacts and advisors help you make and save money. Remember to be generous to others in this time of good fortune.

Beware: Your winning ways may attract people who want to take advantage of you.

Readers all over the country are using psychic astrologer Serena Sabak's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks, and so can you! To find your Lucky Numbers, simply look them up under your birth sign in the chart below. If you need seven numbers for the lottery in your area, add your birthday. If you need fewer numbers, drop the numbers listed last.

$ YOUR LUCKY LOTTERY NUMBERS $

ARIES Mar. 21 — Apr. 19	3, 7, 19, 26, 34, 49
TAURUS Apr. 20 — May 20	1, 9, 17, 37, 43, 45
GEMINI May 21 — June 20	8, 11, 24, 35, 46, 49
CANCER June 21 — July 22	11, 15, 21, 32, 39, 41
LEO July 23 — Aug. 22	7, 10, 19, 23, 34, 38
VIRGO Aug. 23 — Sept. 22	5, 18, 24, 27, 30, 48
LIBRA Sept. 23 — Oct. 22	9, 10, 17, 19, 31, 40
SCORPIO Oct. 23 — Nov. 21	15, 17, 28, 35, 39, 42
SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22 — Dec. 21	2, 14, 23, 27, 29, 39
CAPRICORN Dec. 22 — Jan. 19	3, 12, 18, 32, 36, 43
AQUARIUS Jan. 20 — Feb. 18	4, 7, 10, 21, 25, 27
PISCES Feb. 19 — Mar. 20	13, 23, 29, 30, 35, 46

'TITANIC' ICEBERG KILLS AGAIN!

'MONSTER TRAGEDY

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EXCLUSIVE
By GEORGE SANFORD

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BERG THAT CAUSED 1912 SINKS DUTCH FREIGHTER!

AMMASSALIK, Greenland — The infamous iceberg that sank the *Titanic* in 1912 struck again last month, splitting a Dutch freighter in half and sending it to the bottom of the North Atlantic along with most of its 32-man crew!

The killer berg, believed to be responsible for at least two other nautical disasters over the years, struck terror into the hearts of the seamen of the *Beatrix* who saw it before tumbling into the frigid sea.

"It came right at us as if it had a mind of its own," says sailor Martin Van Vechten, 27, one of only five survivors of the wreck. "It was like a mountain of white death, killing without mercy."

It was two years ago that stunned oceanographers first announced that they had stumbled across the iceberg that raked a gash in the hull of the *Titanic*, causing the oceanliner to sink.

The colossal floating mountain of ice is an estimated 88 years old — making it one of the oldest icebergs ever encountered, says researcher Dr. Erik Kristiansson of Greenland, whose team made the astonishing discovery while conducting a study of ice formations.

The researchers found a number of artifacts that helped them identify the two-mile-wide iceberg as the giant man-killer that sent the famous ship to its watery grave.

Among them: The skeletal remains of three men wearing uniforms labeled *R.M.S. Titanic* and a watch made in 1912.

'It came right at us — as if it had a mind of its own,' — SURVIVOR

SHIPWRECK SURVIVOR Martin Van Vechten, 27.

The iceberg towers 10 stories, with three-fourths of its mass beneath the water. Those who've stood on it describe it as "formidable." It was just 300 miles from the site where the *Titanic* went down that it had its fatal encounter with the Dutch ship, the *Beatrix* on January 11.

Sailors on the bridge of the *Beatrix* saw the iceberg coming seconds before the collision.

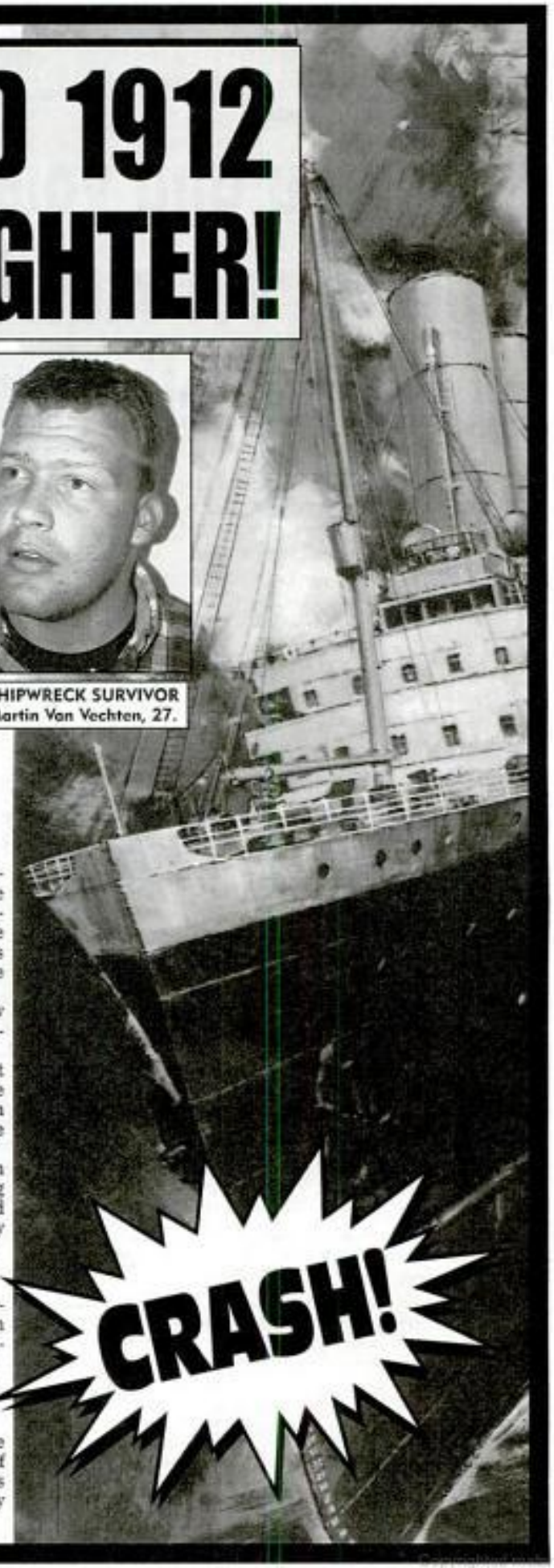
"The helmsman tried frantically to get around it, but it seemed that every time we steered to the right or left, it would move in that direction to stay in our path," first mate Van Vechten said.

The bow plowed into the iceberg dead on and the ship split down the middle, spilling the crew into the rough sea. Van Vechten and four others managed to swim to a dinghy that was not properly secured and had drifted away from the wreck. They were later rescued by a fishing boat.

Intriguingly, in addition to the *Titanic* artifacts, researchers have found objects on the iceberg that came from at least two other sources, including a rudder from a World War II-era boat and a mast dating to the 1950s — suggesting the *Beatrix* is the fourth ship done in by the berg.

"It sounds silly to speak of a piece of ice being evil," Dr. Kristiansson said. "And yet if I had to nominate a candidate for the world's most lethal iceberg, this would certainly have to be it."

DISCOVERY of the debris-strewn iceberg was first reported in the May 19, 1998, issue of *Weekly World News*.



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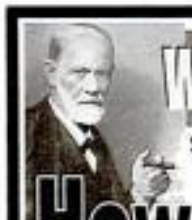

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How you and your mate fight tells if your marriage is going to Hell

Take this simple quiz and see if this is happening to YOU!

Forget how rich you are, the number of kids you have or how well you hit it off in the sack. Experts say it's the way you and your mate fight that determines whether your marriage will succeed or fail.

The following quiz is based on 19 years of research by Scott Stanley and Howard Markman, co-directors of the Center for Marital and Family Studies at the University of Denver and authors of the book *Fighting For Your Marriage: Positive Steps For A Loving and Lasting Relationship*. The results should tell you whether your current relationship will last a lifetime — or is likely to go right down the toilet.

For each of the following, give yourself **1 point** if you and your spouse or partner **almost never** experience that situation; **2 points** if you experience it **once in a while**; and **3 points** if you experience it **frequently**.

- ☐ Little arguments escalate into ugly fights with accusations, criticism, name-calling or bringing up past hurts.
- ☐ My partner criticizes or belittles my opinions, feelings or desires.
- ☐ My partner seems to view my words or actions more negatively than I mean them to be.
- ☐ When we have a problem to solve, it is like we are on opposite teams.
- ☐ I hold back from telling my partner what I really think or feel.
- ☐ I think seriously about what it would be like to date or marry someone else.
- ☐ I feel lonely in this relationship.
- ☐ When we argue, one of us withdraws — that is, doesn't want to talk about it anymore or leaves the scene.

SOME COUPLES may already have one foot in divorce court — and not know it. Where are you?

SCORING:

8 TO 12 POINTS — If you scored in this range, your relationship is probably in good or even great shape at this time — but we emphasize at this time, because relationships don't stand still. A year from now, your relationship could be stronger and happier or it may have deteriorated. This is a good time to work on making your relationship all it can be.

13 TO 17 POINTS — If you scored in this range, it's like you are coming to a yellow light. You need to be cautious. While you may be happy now in your relationship, your score reveals warning signs — patterns you don't want to get worse. You should take action to protect and improve what you have.

18 TO 24 POINTS — If you scored in this range, it's like approaching a red light. Stop and think about where the two of you are headed. Your score indicates the presence of patterns that could put your relationship at serious risk. You may be headed for trouble — or you may already be there. But there is some good news. You can stop and learn ways to improve your relationship now.

Going bald at the crown of your head? Then you're probably a dead man!

BOSTON — Guys: if you have a bald spot at the crown of your head that keeps getting bigger, new research shows you're far more likely than the average man to have a heart attack!

By R. NEALE LIND
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Dr. JoAnn Manson of Brigham and Women's Hospital has just published a study in the *Archives of Internal Medicine* showing that men who are balding from the crown of the head have a 36 percent greater-than-average risk of coronary heart disease.

These men need to pay special attention to their blood pressure and cholesterol levels and to practice a healthy lifestyle.

And the greater the hair loss, the greater the risk.

But Dr. Manson says it's not hair loss itself that puts men at risk. Men with receding hairlines don't seem to be at any greater risk of heart disease than men with full heads of hair. It's only the baldness that begins on top of the head that affects coronary health.

Many cardiologists believe the culprit is testosterone.

Previous studies have shown that men who lose hair from the crown have elevated levels of dihydrotestosterone — a hormone derived from testosterone. High levels of this hormone may contribute to high blood pressure and high cholesterol which, in turn, are risk factors in heart disease.

Dr. Manson's study is not without its critics. Some experts believe this kind of research is a waste of time and could actually prevent some men from practicing healthy behaviors.

"Papers like this actually divert attention from the primary message," said Dr. Philip Greenland, a cardiologist at Northwestern University.

"The problem is that addressing those behaviors is something a lot of Americans don't want to do, so they're looking for excuses to avoid addressing them."

Dr. Greenland says further studies into the baldness-heart disease correlation could lull men with all their hair into a false sense of security.

He contends that all people — not just men balding from the crown — should do all they can to treat or prevent hypertension and high cholesterol and should avoid a sedentary lifestyle.

"About 80 to 90 percent of what we need to prevent heart disease is already known," he said.

By MIKE FOSTER / Weekly World News

IS YOUR COMPUTER POSSESSED BY A DEMON?

SAVANNAH, Ga. — Your computer may be possessed by a demon, a leading minister warns.

"While the Computer Age has ushered in many advances, it has also opened yet another door through which Lucifer and his minions can enter and corrupt men's souls," said the Reverend Jim Peasboro, author of an upcoming book, *The Devil in the Machine.*

Demons are able to possess anything with a brain, from a chicken to a human being. And today's thinking machines have enough space on their hard drives to accommodate Satan or his pals.

"Any PC built after 1985 has the storage capacity to house an evil spirit," the minister confirmed.

The Savannah clergyman says he became aware of the problem from counseling churchgoers.

"I learned that many members of my congregation became in touch with a dark force whenever they used their computers," he said. "Decent, happily married family men were drawn irresistibly to pornographic websites and forced to witness unspeakable abominations.

"Housewives who had never expressed an impure thought were entering Internet chat rooms and found themselves spewing foul, debasing language they would never use normally.

"One woman wept as she confessed to me, 'I feel when I'm on the computer as if someone else or something else just takes over.'"

Don't laugh, says author of bombshell new report!

AUTHOR: Rev. Jim Peasboro.

The minister said he probed one such case, actually logging onto the parishioner's computer himself. To his surprise, an artificial-intelligence program fired up — without him clicking it on. "The program began talking directly to me, openly mocked me," he recalls. "It typed out, 'Preacher, you are a weakling and your God is a damn liar.'"

Then the device went haywire and started printing out what looked like gobbledygook.

"I later had an expert in dead languages examine the text," the minister said. "It turned out to be a stream of obscenities written in a 2,800-year-old Mesopotamian dialect!"

Since, then, Rev. Peasboro has researched the problem further and uncovered alarming facts.

"I learned most of the youths involved in school shootings like the tragedy at Columbine were computer buffs," he said. "I have no doubt that computer demons exerted an influence on them."

The minister estimates that one in 10 computers in America now houses some type of evil spirit.

Rev. Peasboro advises that if you suspect your computer is possessed, you consult a clergyman or, if the computer is still under warranty, take it in for servicing. He says, "Technicians can replace the hard drive and reinstall the software, getting rid of the wicked spirit permanently."

SIGNS THAT YOUR COMPUTER MAY BE POSSESSED

The expert says your personal computer may have come under demonic influence if:

- ☑ Computer does not respond to your commands, often acts like it "has a mind of its own."
- ☑ While on the Internet, you feel an irresistible force drawing you to pornographic websites.
- ☑ Weird symbols you cannot understand sometimes appear on the screen.
- ☑ In chat rooms, you find yourself using obscene language or talking about immoral behavior.
- ☑ After using the computer, you feel the impulse to harm others or engage in illicit sex acts.

You can learn a dead stranger's whole past — by reading his palm, scientists say!

LONDON — Palm reading doesn't only work in helping to tell a person's future, it can also be used to discover his past, an astonishing new study shows.

Using 26 cadavers donated to a medical school, researchers studied the dead people's hands, applying standard principles of palm reading. They were able to trace each person's entire life history, including marriages, divorces, occupations and number of children.

And when the palm-reading results were compared to family records, in 24 of the cases they were precisely correct!

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